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OPPOSE MILITARY TRAINING FOR BOYS

FEDERAL CHURCH COUNCIL RECOMMENDED TO OPPOSE MILITARY TRAINING IN HIGH SCHOOLS.

By Associated Press.

St. Louis, Mo., Dec. 9.—Opposition to military training in high schools was the basis of a resolution submitted to the Federal Church Council today by the commission on peace and arbitration. The commission also urged the American government to invite the European belligerents to state the terms on which they were willing to negotiate peace.

BIG PRICE FOR PITCHER.

By Associated Press.

Boston, Mass., Dec. 9.—The Boston Americans said they were willing to pay \$60,000 for pitcher Walter Johnson today when told that the Cleveland Americans would offer \$50,000 for that player.

RELEASED SUSPECTS IN THE BANK MURDER

SHERIFF IS PURSUING FRESH CLUES TO MURDERER OF CASHIER GLASS KILLED BY BANK BANDIT.

By Associated Press.

Point, Texas, Dec. 9.—Funeral services were held today for Clarence Glass, the First State Bank cashier murdered by a robber, and the body was sent to Lone Oak for burial tomorrow. Sheriff Whittle at Emory has released three suspects and is pursuing clues in the murder case.

ENORMOUS STEEL ORDERS.

By Associated Press.

New York, Dec. 9.—Unfilled United States Steel Corporation orders for the month ending November 30 were 11,058,542 tons, a new record.

RAILROADS' DEADLY RECORD.

By Associated Press.

Austin, Texas, Dec. 9.—Railroads killed 26 persons in Texas in September and 32 in October, the report today shows.

FIGHTING NEAR PALOMAS.

By Associated Press.

El Paso, Texas, Dec. 9.—Government agents this afternoon have reports that Carranza and Villa forces are fighting near Palomas.

MISSISSIPPI TO CELEBRATE.

Jackson, Miss., Dec. 9.—Tomorrow the State of Mississippi will enter upon her one hundredth year, having been admitted to the Union Dec. 10, 1817. Plans are already under way for an elaborate celebration of the centennial during the coming year. The chief feature is to be the Mississippi Centennial Exposition at Gulfport. Since the project for the exposition was first launched the plans have taken on a much broader scope and the affair now promises to be one of the most notable of its kind ever held in the South. Several large exhibition buildings are already under construction at Gulfport and the promoters are at work on a program that is expected to attract a multitude of visitors from all sections of the country.

VERMIN DESTROYERS TO CONFER.

New York, Dec. 9.—During the coming week the Hotel Astor will be a mighty unsafe stopping place for Mr. and Mrs. Bedbug, or any other members of the vermin family who might have the temerity to enter the sacred precincts of that hotel. For among the guests of the hotel during the first two days of the week will be a host of men who are wise to 57 or more different methods of dealing a knockout to all the germs that laze the air, to the flies and mosquitoes that carry the germs, and to all such household pests as roaches, mice and rats.

The occasion of the gathering will be the annual meeting of the American Insecticide and Disinfectant Manufacturers' Association, which has a membership extending throughout the country. One of the most important matters to be considered at the meeting is the Wadsworth bill having to do with establishing an official test for disinfectants.

ALL EYES ON GREECE AT PRESENT MOMENT

TEUTONS THREATEN TO TURN ARMIES ON FORCES OF THE ENTENTE POWERS AT SALONIKI.

By Associated Press.

London, Dec. 9.—The situation in Greece again commands the attention of military strategists. Decisive action by the Entente powers is urged, if the supposed purpose of the Central powers is to turn important sections of Von Mackensen's huge army in Rumania upon the Entente allies. Saloniki army is to be met. Continued retirement of Russo-Rumanian forces in eastern Wallachia is reported, with Berlin claiming several thousand more prisoners in western Rumania and asserting that since December 1 the Rumanians have lost more than 70,000 men. There has been violent fighting on the Somme front and also in the Carpathians.

New Cabinet Approved.

London, Dec. 9.—Lloyd George's non-partisan cabinet is generally expected today to meet the popular demand for a business government, although the choice of Arthur Balfour as foreign secretary aroused some protest from those who rated him as belonging to the "wait-and-see" school, and the retention of Lord Robert Cecil as his assistant criticized, the choice of Bonar Law for chancellor of the exchequer, Lord Derby as head of the war office and other appointments generally are approved.

Vessel Held Up.

London, Dec. 9.—A ship captain here today said his vessel had been held up in the Atlantic by a German light cruiser, indicating that the British cordon in the North Sea had been evaded.

TO DISCUSS "AFTER WAR" CONDITIONS.

Norfolk, Va., Dec. 9.—The eighth annual meeting of the Southern Commercial Congress, which convenes in this city on Monday next, will bring together a host of men widely known in diplomacy and public life, as well as others of national reputation as leaders in finance, commerce, agriculture, transportation and other branches of industry. The list of delegates that are to attend from various States, representing chambers of commerce, boards of trade and other commercial and development organizations, has grown until the delegates number more than 1,000. Women will have an important part in the work of the congress.

The large and representative attendance, the large number of prominent participants and the timeliness of the topics scheduled for consideration combine to give promise of one of the most notable gatherings of its kind ever held in this country. Although the development of the resources of the Southern States is the chief aim of the congress, the attendance will be representative of the entire country and the proceedings will be of interest and importance to all sections alike.

The general theme of the congress will be "International Reconstruction," and under this head will be discussed the changed outlook produced by the world war along economic, agricultural, military, governmental, financial and commercial lines. A basic purpose of the gathering will be to evolve a plan of action with which to meet the new order and the changed conditions after the war ends.

President Wilson has signified his intention to come to Norfolk to address the congress, if his other engagements will permit. Senator Duncan U. Fletcher of Florida will preside over the gathering and Governor Stuart of Virginia will deliver the address of welcome. There will be besides probably the largest array of distinguished men among the speakers that ever was heard at a gathering of the kind in this country.

Prominent among those who are on the program for addresses are Secretary of State Lansing, Secretary of the Navy Daniels, Secretary of Labor Wilson, Secretary of Commerce Redfield, John Skelton Williams, Controller of the Currency; Frank A. Vanderlip, the New York financier; William J. Bryan, former Secretary of State; Romulo S. Naon, ambassador from Argentina; Dr. Wellington Koo, minister from China; Don Joaquin Mendez, the Guatemalan minister; Alberto Membrano, minister from Honduras; Governors Willis of Ohio and Dunne of Illinois, and United States Senators Owen of Oklahoma, Ransdell of Louisiana, and Overman of North Carolina.

Various national and international entities have been called to meet in Norfolk coincident with the congress, including the second annual meeting of the House of Southern Governors, the National Association of Commissioners of

FATAL SHOOTING IN DALLAS MAIN STREET

FORMER ASSISTANT COUNTY ATTORNEY VICTIM OF AFRAY IN HEART OF BUSINESS DISTRICT.

By Associated Press.

Dallas, Texas, Dec. 9.—G. L. Perkins, former assistant county attorney, was shot and probably fatally wounded in an encounter on Main street in the heart of the business district this afternoon. Clarence E. Pratt, with whom he had quarreled earlier in the day, was taken into custody.

MUST SPEND PROFITS.

By Associated Press.

Detroit, Mich., Dec. 9.—A temporary injunction granted Dodge Bros. restraining Henry Ford from using the Ford Motor Company's profits to develop its business today was extended 60 days in order that further arguments may be heard.

COST OF LIVING IS TO BE PROBED SOON

FEDERAL GRAND JURY WILL INVESTIGATE IN NEW YORK AND DETROIT AS WELL AS OTHER CITIES.

By Associated Press.

Washington, Dec. 9.—Attorney General Gregory today ordered a federal grand jury investigation of the high cost of living to begin at once in New York and in Detroit next week. Investigations are expected to follow in Cleveland, Kansas City, St. Louis, Minneapolis and other points.

MARKET WAS DEMORALIZED.

By Associated Press.

New York, Dec. 9.—The cotton market was almost demoralized today following yesterday's bid break. At one time March contracts sold 75 points under last night's close, with the general list fully \$14 per bale below the recent high record.

GRIDIRON CLUB DINNER.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 9.—The flag of the Gridiron Club floats over the New Willard Hotel, to remind all beholders that the annual dinner of the club takes place there tonight. A brilliant entertainment has been prepared for a long list of distinguished guests, among whom will be many of the victors and the vanquished in the recent election, which fact is expected to afford opportunity for an evening of picturesque and buffoonery that will eclipse all of the previous efforts of the famous organization. The President of the United States, members of his cabinet, justices of the Supreme Court, members of the diplomatic corps, senators, representatives and men eminent in all walks of life will be among the guests.

Agriculture, the Southern Commercial Secretaries Association, the American Commission on Agricultural Organization, and the Woman's Auxiliary of the Southern Commercial Congress.

The port of Norfolk, including Old Point Comfort, Portsmouth and Newport News, will be interpreted as a type of the commercial possibilities of Atlantic harbors in the extension of American trade. The municipal docks of Norfolk, and the piers to be constructed by the Norfolk and Western Railway Company at a cost of \$2,000,000 will be an important exhibit of the congress.

Under orders from Secretary Daniels the Atlantic fleet is to mobilize in Hampton Roads next week to participate in a great naval review, to be followed by a military parade in Norfolk to be participated in by troops from Fortress Monroe and officers and men from the battleships. The presence of the fleet in Norfolk harbor for official participation will add unique features, social and governmental, that will help to make the congress a brilliant event.

The Southern Commercial Congress, under whose auspices the several organizations are to hold their meetings, is a union of effort on the part of Southern commercial bodies and individual business institutions to educate the people of the United States, including the Southern people themselves, about the resources of that section. Its slogan since its organization has been, "A Greater Nation Through a Greater South."

STATEMENT OF THE LAREDO NATIONAL BANK

LAREDO, TEXAS.

At the Close of Business, Nov. 17, 1916, as rendered to the Comptroller of the Currency CONDENSED.

RESOURCES	LIABILITIES
Loans and Discounts.....\$ 978,632.41	Capital Stock.....\$ 200,000.00
Bank Building, Furniture and Fixtures.....57,513.83	Surplus Fund.....50,000.00
United States Bonds.....165,000.00	Undivided Profits, net.....131,247.35
Other Bonds and Securities.....13,321.79	Circulation.....148,100.00
Stock in Federal Reserve Bank.....7,500.00	Deposits.....1,204,372.94
Cash and Exchange.....511,752.26	
Total.....\$1,733,720.29	Total.....\$1,733,720.29

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—TODAY—

Brady-made world production, "THE SCARLET OATH," representing the clever Gail Kane in an unusual dual role which gives her a splendid opportunity to display her talents. Other comedy reels.
Tomorrow: "SOMEWHERE IN FRANCE," Triangle play written by Richard Harding Davis.

Admission—Adults: 10c, children 5c, box seats 15c.

WILL BE VERY SOON IN LAREDO

The Royal Musée

Great European Novelty

If you come, you will be acquainted with the most notable men of Europe and America, reproduced in wax life-like, natural size.

DON'T FAIL TO SEE IT!

From Friday's Daily.

MR. BRYAN'S OPINION.

Once more Mr. Bryan's opinions are announced in the public prints, although there are few who can see any particular value in them. This time he appeared before the congressional commission investigating transportation problems. Just why no one seems to know. He is not a railway magnate, nor a labor representative, nor a congressman, nor in fact the spokesman for any party or body of men. And his opinions on the railroad question can be of little value, considering the many changes of opinion he has announced within the past few years, particularly as to transportation problems.

When Mr. Bryan came back from Europe he was enthusiastic concerning the proposition for government ownership of the railroads, but he soon lost that enthusiasm, turning up some time afterward as an opponent of the proposition.

His particular opinion now is that it would not do to transfer the railroad regulatory power to the federal government "because it would inject an immense political force into national affairs."

For many years the interstate commerce commission, a federal body, has had a great deal of "regulatory power" over the railroads of the country, yet it is difficult to see where this has "injected an immense political force" into the affairs of the nation.

Whenever anything is brought up which aims to safeguard the people at large, there is always someone who sees in the proposition an attempt to "inject political influence" into public affairs. President Wilson's idea is that the interstate commerce commission should be given enlarged powers—particularly administrative powers—in order to make its labors worth while.

If enlarging the commission's powers would "inject an immense political force" into our national affairs, then there is a danger that a misinterpretation of its powers as at present defined by law might also be a political menace.

It has been noted that the only people who fear that the interstate commerce commission will do wrong are the railroad officials and the state railroad commissions, both of which are by nature opposed to the proper exercise of the functions of the interstate commerce commission.

Such of the annoyance and obstruction with which the federal commission has been confronted has come from both the railroads and the various railroad commissions of the states. And anyone who has studied the situation even superficially is aware that politics plays a great part in the state railroad commissions, while it is the very life of the railroad companies.

It was for the purpose of preventing political deals such as previously besmirched the railroad history of the country that the interstate commerce commission was instituted. The rebates, the secret deals by the big shippers, the discrimination shown against the competitor in a small way whom it was proposed to eliminate—all these were causes for the establishment of a regulative body which should see that justice was done the small shipper, and that the railroads should not enter into throat-cutting competition merely for the purpose of securing the trade of a big shipper.

If the institution of the interstate commerce commission has operated to prevent political influence and money pull from being used in the railroad business—and who can deny that it has?—how could the granting of an extension of powers to the commission "inject an immense political force" into our national affairs?

The trouble with some people is that they are always suspicious of others because they have the same aspirations which they charge others with having. The fact is that the enlarging of the powers of the interstate commerce commission would prevent "the injection of political force" into much of our national affairs, and the people who formerly profited and who hope in the future to profit by political influence are afraid to permit any more interference with their own affairs—not those of the nation.

THE COST OF LIVING.

Some of the "scientists" who are distressed over the high cost of living have been conducting experiments in various parts of the country to demonstrate that people can live well on certain sums daily. The latest experiment that has received wide advertisement was made in Chicago, where it was sought to show that people could be fed with wholesome, nourishing food at a cost of not to exceed 40 cents a day.

What the country needs is some

system of feeding that will not average half that sum. Out of the millions in and about Chicago, how many do you suppose are actually spending 40 cents a day per person for food? Even with the high cost of living, there is not a workingman's family that can ordinarily afford this amount.

Take a family of, say, six persons living—and paying their way—on the average workingman's wages, which may be placed at \$4 a day in Chicago. The cost of food at 40 cents for each person would amount to \$2.40 a day, and it is safe to say that few families with that income spend that amount daily for food.

Here in Laredo where the wages of the average workingman do not nearly reach the Chicago scale, but where living expenses are much lower, the family that would spend 40 cents a day for food for each member would find itself so deeply in debt in a short time that it would be obliged to seek some solution—not of the high cost of living, but of the cost of living high.

With a family of four persons the cost should not exceed \$1 a day for food. Many foodstuffs are cheaper in Chicago than in Laredo, while others are cheaper here. Yet \$1 a day will buy plenty of nourishing food for four persons, and there are many families even larger in Laredo than would not consider themselves undernourished with half that sum.

One of the troubles is the constantly increasing scale of living that is considered necessary by many people. The "daily menus" published in the newspapers and magazines are responsible for much of this wasteful scale of living, and there are many families whose parents were satisfied with the plainest "substantials" who are now dissatisfied with the common food unless it be served with mayonnaise, rich gravies and sauces, and the accompaniment of grapefruit and other imported delicacies.

The human machine requires a certain amount of stoking to do its best work. A man may easily be overfed, as well as underfed, and rich and costly foods do no more for him than the plainest well-cooked meats and vegetables.

Here on the border the people—not merely the Mexican laborers, but the Americans in comfortable circumstances—eat more beans, peas and other legumes, less meat and fewer imported luxuries. As a rule they are better nourished than the workingman's family of the North, and they have at small cost the greater part of the year the fresh fruits and vegetables which the Northern man finds it difficult to secure without paying exorbitant prices.

Five students of the Normal College at Denton, Texas, have been conducting a food experiment similar to that at Chicago, but their price limit is 19c a day for each person. Their menu included chicken and dumplings on Thanksgiving Day, and the added cost was but 7 cents a person! That is, they are eating wholesome, well-cooked and neatly served food, the members of the dieting squad actually gaining weight under the experiment, and the daily cost for the five persons is 95 cents!

There are many Mexican families in Laredo whose entire outlay for food does not exceed the 19 cents which the Denton people are expending for each person. Yet the Mexican men are sturdy and give evidence of having plenty, and the women raise large families of children who, perhaps, some day will be enjoying the "luxury" of spending as much for food as the Chicago experiment squad.

Luxury is merely relative. To the Mexican who subsists on frijoles and tortillas, with an occasional bit of meat, the average Northern workingman's supper of beefsteak and boiled potatoes, with plenty of bread and butter and perhaps a dish of preserved fruit, would appear a feast of Lucullus. And the Mexican never has indigestion, nor lacks an appetite.

DISTRICT COURT GRINDING.

One Culpit Given Thirty Days in Jail and Examination Made Into Burglaries by Small Boys.

In the district court this morning the case of Sebastian Altamirano, charged with theft under \$50, was tried and the defendant given punishment of thirty days in the county jail.

Seven small Mexican boys charged with the commission of three different burglaries in this city within the past few months, were arraigned in court this morning and given an examination by the court. These juveniles will later be tried by a jury on the charges against them.

Elks Hop Postponed.

The regular weekly hop of the Elks has been postponed from tonight until tomorrow night.

LAREDO FIRE DEPARTMENT RE-ELECTED OLD OFFICERS

WITH EXCEPTION OF JUDGE PAGE, NOW VICE-PRESIDENT

Captain of Hose-Racing Team Also Re-elected, Committee Appointed to Christen New Apparatus, Etc.

At the regular monthly meeting of the Laredo Volunteer Fire Department held at Firemen's Hall last night considerable business of importance was transacted, including the election of officers to serve for the ensuing year, and in most cases the men who have served the fire department for the past three years were re-elected, the only change in the official family of the fireboys being the election of County Judge George R. Page to the office of vice-president instead of chairman of the house committee, an appointive position. The officers as elected last night were as follows: August C. Richter, president; George R. Page, vice-president; J. R. Fasnacht, secretary; Sam W. Brown, treasurer; Chester C. Biggio, chief; J. W. Falvela, assistant chief; Solomon C. Freed, steward. President Richter appointed Harry G. DaCamara as chairman of the hose committee, with Thomas Goodwin and Walter Stein as committee members.

J. W. Falvela was re-elected as captain of the Laredo Hose Racing team, while a committee consisting of George R. Page, C. C. Biggio and S. C. Freed was appointed to arrange for the christening of the new combination chemical truck and to confer with Mayor McComb on certain matters relative to the event. The christening of the new fire apparatus, which is expected to arrive here in a few days, will take place in front of the city hall on a date to be announced later, when short talks will be made and other appropriate ceremonies held.

At the next regular meeting of the fire department the appointment of a committee to co-operate with the Washington Birthday Celebration committee and a committee to have charge of the election of a fire queen will be appointed and following the meeting a luncheon will be held. To this meeting and luncheon fireboys among the national guardsmen stationed in Laredo will be invited to participate.

GREETED BY LARGE AUDIENCE.

Harrison Tent Theater Began Engagement Last Night and Everybody Speaks Well of the Company.

The Harrison Tent Theater opened their engagement in their big tent in Laredo last night and was greeted by an appreciative audience that almost filled the spacious space to its capacity. Their opening bill was a three-act society drama entitled, "The Awakening of John Slater," and the play was put on with everything to make it the pronounced success it proved, for the stage settings, the electric lighting effects, the costuming and the histrionic roles of the participants was up to the usual high standard to be expected of plays that charge higher prices of admission in the opera houses of the country.

In the play last night there appeared a member of the caste who is an old-time favorite in Laredo—he was Bud Nairn, who represented a city detective in a "docile" part last night, but who is intimately known to Laredo audiences as "the meanest villain on the stage," for in that role Bud Nairn is undisputedly a genius. While the Harrisons are in Laredo Mr. Nairn's friends expect to see him in his stellar role, for while he engenders the hatred, so-called, of the audience in some of the parts he depicts in a villainous manner, they afterwards admire his acting abilities.

Mr. Charles Harrison as the husband who was the victim of a deceptive woman, and Mrs. Harrison, who played the woman of whims, deception and egotism and added zest to the play, were strangers to Laredo, but last night they won praise and became favorites. Clifton Steelsmith as Lumm Slater, the bucolic philosopher and real comedian of the cast; J. R. Curran as Manuel Slater, the acquiescing old farmer, and Mrs. Guy McDonald as Rachel, his uncomplaining wife; Mrs. Espy as Nan Slater, the daughter, all played prominent parts and won high praise for their work, as did also Guy McDonald as Donald, Ed. Albeitz as Lester and Mr. Howard, and Mrs. Jones as the maid. Tonight the company will present the four-act Texas comedy-drama entitled, "The Lone Star Ranch."

How to Prevent Croup.

In a child that is subject to attacks of croup, the first indication of the disease is hoarseness. Give Chamberlain's Cough Remedy as soon as the child becomes hoarse and the attack may be warded off and all danger and anxiety.

BOTH TEAMS ARE CONFIDENT OF VICTORY HERE SATURDAY

MISSOURI ANNOUNCES READY TO MEET TEXAS SQUAD.

Texas Advises That Their Line Up Could Not Be Improved and Will Not Change Men on Team.

Only light signal practice was held today as final arrangements, or rather preparations, for Saturday's game between the Missouri Brigade and the Second Texas Infantry teams. "Chuck" Wilson, who has been coaching the team, was well pleased with the showing and feels confident of a victorious team. Kieth Dancy, who made the All-Missouri team in 1914, is showing up in his old form, and with Roberts, an ex-Missouri University man as a running mate on the other end, is assurance that Texas will make few long end runs. Both men tackle low and hard and are exceptionally good on the forward pass stuff. Ray Perkins, one of the cleverest little quarterbacks that Warrensburg ever saw, and the captain-elect of the team that played this season, will be seen at his best Saturday.

A letter from Corpus Christi regarding the Second Texas team says: "Our boys are coming to Laredo to win the second game from the Missouri National Guard team by superior playing. The team has practiced hard and tried out several substitutes, but the coach is satisfied with the men that played Missouri here on November 22 and will not make a single change in the line up. We have the best team among the national guard on the border today and are confident that we can take the second game from Missouri, though we understand the Missouri team has strengthened its line up and will at least give us a better tussle than in the first game."

Thus it will be seen that with both teams confident of victory in Laredo on Saturday afternoon, "there is going to be something doing."

IS IDEAL FOOTBALL WEATHER.

With the Atmosphere Chilled Tomorrow the Second Texas and Missouri Teams Can Have Lively Contest.

From present prospects, ideal weather conditions will prevail in Laredo tomorrow afternoon for the big football contest between the Second Texas and the Missouri Brigade teams, which will be called at Caliche Park at 3 o'clock Saturday afternoon.

With a brisk northwester striking here at an early hour this morning and the atmosphere gradually becoming more chilled, the weather for tomorrow should be of the "made-to-order" kind for a real football scrimmage. Under these auspicious conditions both teams should line up prepared to put up a hard fight for every inch of ground necessarily conceded, while to gain an inch of the gridiron area a similar fight will be necessary. The probability is that at least 2,500 persons will witness the big game tomorrow, and even if the weather be cold and of the real football kind, people who understand and appreciate good football will brave the elements and watch every movement of the opposing players.

MISSOURI BATTERIES GET ORDERS TO RETURN TO HOMES

NEWS RECEIVED WITH ELATION ON PARTS OF MEMBERS.

It is Very Probable That Special Trains Carrying Batteries Will Leave Here on Wednesday.

The three batteries composing the battalion of Missouri Light Field Artillery, consisting of Battery A of St. Louis, Battery B of Kansas City, and Battery C of Independence, Mo., last night received orders to prepare to return to their home stations, and as a consequence the news was received with much elation on the parts of the members of the three organizations, which have been here since last June.

The work of preparing for departure was eagerly begun by the officers and men of the three respective batteries this morning, and it is very probable that the special trains carrying the three batteries on their homeward journeys will leave Laredo on Wednesday.

Notice.

Hunting or fishing without my written permission is strictly prohibited in any and all pastures owned or controlled by me. Any person who violates this is a trespasser and will be prosecuted to the full extent of the law.

T. A. COLEMAN.
10-26-11.

LAREDO'S SUCCESSFUL CITIZENS



JOHN L. DANDELLEY.

John L. Dannelley was born in San Jacinto County, Texas, February 15, 1881 where he resided until 12 years of age, then moving to Dale, Caldwell County. After securing his education, Mr. Dannelley devoted four years to teaching school and in 1904 matriculated in the University of Texas for a course in law, being admitted to the bar December 18, 1905.

Mr. Dannelley not only successfully passed the strict examination which admits to practice in the courts of the United States but is one of the few who successfully worked his way through college, being a man who would not permit lack of funds to interfere with his struggles for an education.

On January 1, 1906 Mr. Dannelley commenced the practice of law at Carrizo Springs, Dimmit County, where he remained for two years, thence removing to Laredo where he commenced the practice of his profession January 1, 1908.

With the exception of one year spent in Dallas as associate with Judge W. S. Terrell, one of the state's most prominent lawyers, where Mr. Dannelley gained a broad experience, he has practiced his profession in this city and is numbered as one of Laredo's most talented lawyers.

Mr. Dannelley has always found time to become prominently identified with church, social, fraternal and political affairs and enjoys the full confidence of the public.

THIS DATE IN HISTORY

DECEMBER 8.

1493—First mass celebrated in America, on island of Hayti, by Fr. Juan Perez, friend and counsellor of Columbus.

1660—First appearance of a female on the public stage in England, the part played being Desdemona.

1776—Washington retreated across the Delaware.

1834—Dogma of the Immaculate Conception, or birth without taint of original sin of the Virgin Mary, promulgated at Rome by Pope Pius IX.

1856—Death of Fr. Mathew, famous temperance advocate.

1863—Two thousand lives lost in burning of Jesuits' church at Santiago, Chili.

1903—United States Marines landed at Colon and occupied a position on the Panama Railroad; Colombia demanded an indemnity for what she called the taking by force of her territory.

1907—Accession of King Gustaf V of Sweden; born June 16, 1858.

1908—Tercentenary of Milton celebrated in Great Britain and America.

1914—THE WAR:
Great British naval victory off the Falkland Islands, resulting in the loss of four German cruisers of the first class and death of Admiral Von Spee. Turkish battleship Mesoudieh blown up by British submarine in the Dardanelles.

1915—THE WAR:
General Townshend, with the rearguard of the retreating Anglo-British force reached Kut-el-Amara with the Turkish army in pursuit. Germany made another Frye reply.

Stop That Cough.

A hacking cough weakens the whole system, drains your energy and gets worse if neglected; your throat is raw, your chest aches and you feel sore all over. Relieve that cold at once with Dr. King's New Discovery. The soothing pine balsams heal the irritated membranes, and the anti-septic and laxative quantities kill the germs and break up your cold. Don't let a cold linger. Get Dr. King's New Discovery today at your Druggist, 50 cents.

TIMES WANT ADS.

Money Makers

LITTLE LOCALS

—The importations through this port yesterday from Mexico consisted of one carload of wool, three carloads of hite and thirteen carloads of steel billets.

—The Baptist Ladies Aid Society will hold a sale of cake, pies and enchiladas at the Royal Theater at nine o'clock Tuesday morning, December 12. And on Wednesday, December 13 they will serve envueltos, coffee, pies and cakes all day.

—A marriage license was issued yesterday by the county clerk to William Jones and Miss Etta Pock.

—Beautiful hand made articles, linens and lingerie at the Christian ladies sale, Saturday, nine o'clock.

—Manuel Cruz has just received by today's express 144 elderdown sport coats for ladies. This is the latest thing out. He wants to close them out in two days if possible at the reduced price of \$3.90 apiece. Make your selections early while the stock is complete.

—Go see Butler Bros. today and be measured for a Lamm suit. Special samples on display. Phone 517.

—Violets for sale. Telephone 849.

—This morning about one o'clock the Laredo section was visited by a veritable gale from the northwest and—well, the usual thing occurred, real estate was on the rise and the atmosphere was filled with the small particles of dust that sifted under doors and through windows and this morning many housewives said things that did not sound like prayers.

—Today and tomorrow only we have a special factory man in attendance at our Holiday Sale. Come and meet him. Butler Bros. Phone 517.

—Taxidermy in all its branches. Animals mounted true to life. Skins tanned and made into rugs. W. R. Muter, phone 774.

—Likened to the old times, perfect order prevailed about the Harrison Tent Show grounds last night and there were no boisterous individuals about to "start something." A provost guard was on duty and they had orders which would have been carried out to a nicety if necessity demanded. But nothing occurred to mar the peace that should prevail.

—Try a parcels post package at the Bazaar, Saturday 25 cts each.

—I have three wagons for hauling sand, gravel, etc. Prices moderate. Telephone 272. Jose Maria Mendiolu, 1308 Iturbide street.

—A special train carrying the Second Texas Infantry football team, together with several hundred Texas national guardsmen and civilians, is scheduled to leave Corpus Christi at 8 o'clock tonight for Laredo. According to announcement, the excursionists will reach here about 6 o'clock tomorrow morning and remain until 11 o'clock tomorrow night.

—Did you get yours? Xmas suits and overcoats at Butler's. A special showing today. Phone 517.

—Doctors Wilson and Stafford, DENTISTS. Office over People's Pharmacy. Phone 746.

—Japanese pictures, calendars, games and silk novelties on sale Saturday opposite the Royal.

—The football game between the Second Texas Infantry and the Missouri National Guard teams, to be played at Caliche Park tomorrow afternoon, has aroused more genuine interest here than any sport event in several years and no doubt Caliche Park will be the gathering place of several thousands of persons to witness the game.

—Teacher of English, Spanish and Gregg Shorthand, evening lessons only. Apply Will W. Gregg Times of Day.

—Run for rag-rugs Saturday at bazaar opposite Royal.

—Have you started that Christmas shopping? In the phrase of the day, "do it now," and avoid the unnecessary rush coincident with so many delaying making their Christmas purchases at the last hour. Make out a list of what you are going to need and start shopping early.

—Will W. Gregg, Notary Public, at Times office. 65 ft (Adv.)

—Do you desire comfort? Use electric lights and fans.

—Home-made candy at Christian ladies bazaar Saturday.

Notice to Hunters.

I have just stocked my pasture with new cattle and on this account I positively will not permit any hunting on my land. Persons caught in my pastures will be prosecuted to the fullest extent of the law; this I hate to do, but am compelled this season.

J. D. JENNINGS.
10-30-11.

PROFESSIONAL CARDS

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DR. J. T. HALSELL,
Physician and Surgeon,
Office: Richter Building.
Hours: 11 to 12 and 4 to 6.
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Office: Wilcox Block.
Telephone, 299.

J. K. THOMPSON
Dentist.
Office: Richter Building N. W. Corner Market Plaza.
Phone, 645.

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JOHN CONVERY,
Funeral Director.
Phone, 68.

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DAVID J. CHAILLE,
Architect.
No. 11 Bertani Building.

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Chamberlain's Cough Remedy.
This is not only one of the best and most efficient medicines for coughs, colds and croup, but is also pleasant and safe to take, which is important when medicines must be given to children. Many mothers have given it their unqualified endorsement.

PERSONALS

Joe D. Jennings left today for San Antonio.

Judge M. D. Slaton of Llano is in the city and is stopping at the Hamilton.

Samuel Meyer of Rochester, N. Y., has arrived in Laredo to join his wife, who is at the Alexander home, and remain until after the holidays.

BENDER:—A. J. Webb, P. W. Sawyer, J. E. O'Neil, Geo. S. James, San Antonio; E. L. Syers, Houston; J. Henry Phillips, Dallas; J. F. Howard, San Antonio; Wm. Shoemaker, Jacksonville; W. L. Scott, Tom R. Masa, C. W. Mussett, San Antonio; A. E. Rogers, Dallas; B. H. Greenberg, Houston; S. D. Barnes, San Antonio.

ANTIS HOLD CANFAB IN CAPITAL.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 7.—One of the most notable gatherings of women ever held in the national capital opened here today with nearly 1,000 delegates in attendance, representing practically all of the States.

It is a convention of the National Association Opposed to Woman Suffrage and is announced as the first national convention held in America by women who believe that progress for their sex lies outside of politics.

The National Association Opposed to Woman Suffrage is now five years old. Heretofore, only regular annual meetings for the reading of reports, election of officers and other routine business connected with the opposition to woman suffrage have been held. This year, however, the association has planned to make the convention a big popular demonstration of the constructive as well as the obstructive philosophy of their movement.

The anti-suffragists proclaim as their ideal the ultimate union of women of all creeds and classes along non-partisan lines, so that the interests of womanhood, childhood and civilization may be advanced free from the strife and division of politics, factions and parties. The addresses, papers and discussions of the convention will be along these lines. The immediate object of the association, the defeat of woman suffrage, will not be emphasized at the sessions.

NORTHWESTERN ROAD CONGRESS.

Chicago, Ill., Dec. 7.—With delegates in attendance from more than a dozen States, the third annual meeting of the Northwestern Road Congress was opened here today. State road commissioners of nearly all the Northwestern States are included in the attendance. John A. Hazelwood, State highway commissioner of Wisconsin, is the president of the congress and occupied the chair at the initial session held at the Hotel Sherman today.

NOTABLE BIRTHDAYS TODAY.

DECEMBER 7.

Judge William H. Wadhams of the New York Court of General Sessions and one of the most distinguished jurists in the Empire State who attracted country-wide attention a few weeks ago by indorsing from the bench the birth control system for destitute families, is 43 years old today. In passing upon the case of Mrs. Rebecca Schnur, who had been compelled to steal to feed her six children, Judge Wadhams condemned the law which would make birth control a criminal offense in such cases. He is a native of Annapolis, Md., and was educated at Yale, beginning the practice of law in the metropolis in 1898. His first appointment to the bench, of the New York City Court in 1907, was by Gov. Hughes, lately Presidential candidate. Another appointment by Gov. Hughes made him commissioner to investigate the office of state superintendent of elections. In 1914 he was appointed Judge of the Court of General Sessions, for the term 1914-28.

Let Uncle Sam Make the Move.

All the warring nations turn a willing ear to the whisperings of peace, but each wants the other to make the first move. Each one says it will not accept the terms of the other, etc. but in our opinion, when the matter is once started, they will accept a great deal more than they now think they will.—Bryan Eagle.

SOCIETY

Mrs. Violet S. Oberfeldt
Editor . . . Phone 70

SOCIAL CALENDAR.

Thursday.

The Ladies Aid of the Presbyterian church will hold a called meeting at the church at half after three o'clock in the afternoon.

The Ladies Aid of the Baptist Church will meet with Mrs. Yearly and Mrs. Bell at three o'clock in the afternoon. Miss Alice Denike will be hostess to the Girls Thursday Bridge Club at a quarter to four o'clock in the afternoon.

Mrs. Edgar Shmyer will entertain with Bridge at three o'clock in the afternoon.

Dr. and Mrs. Dunbar will entertain the Medical Corps at eight o'clock in the evening, honoring Mrs. Freer.

Friday.

Mrs. Forebaugh of Fort McIntosh will entertain with a tea at four o'clock in the afternoon in honor of Mrs. Freer.

Laredo Choral Club will meet at Elks Hall at half after three o'clock sharp in the afternoon, with Mrs. T. A. Austin. Dance at Elks Hall at eight o'clock in the evening.

The Bridge Builder.

An old man going a lone highway,
Came at the evening, cold and gray.
To a chasm vast and deep and wide.

The old man crossed in twilight dim,
The sullen stream had no fear for him,
But he turned when on the other side

And built a bridge to span the tide.
"Old man," said a fellow pilgrim near,
"You are wasting your strength with building here;

Your journey will end with the closing day,
You never again will pass this way.
Why build you this bridge at evening tide?"

The builder lifted his old gray head.
"Old friend, in the path I have come," he said,
"There followeth after me today
A youth whose feet must pass this way;

This chasm that has been as naught to me
To that fair-haired youth may a pitfall be;
He, too, must cross in the twilight dim—
Good friend, I am building this bridge for him."

General Mention.

Mrs. Ruckman and Miss Ruckman, wife and daughter of General Ruckman, have arrived in Laredo and are guests at the Bender Hotel.

Mrs. J. M. Daniel and little daughter left Tuesday night for St. Louis, Mo., in response to the news of the severe illness of Mrs. Daniel's mother.

Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Evans of El Campo, Tamaulipas, Mexico, arrived from Mexico the early part of the week. They were compelled to leave owing to the unsettled conditions.

Corns Loosen, Lift Right Off

Nothing But "GETS-IT" Will Do This to Corns and Calluses.

If you've ever had corns, you've tried lots of things to get rid of them—salves that eat your toes and leave the corn remaining, cotton rings that make your corns bulge out like pop-



You Can't Hide Corn Misery. Stop Fooling Around. Use "GETS-IT" Tonight and See the Corns Vanish.

eyes, scissors and knives that make corns bleed and sore, harnesses and bandages that fill up your shoes, press on the corn and make your foot feel like a paving block. What's the use? Why not do what millions are doing, take 3 seconds off and apply "GETS-IT." It dries, you put your stocking on right away, and wear your regular shoes. Your corn loosens from the toe, it lifts right off. It's painless. It's the common-sense way, the simplest, easiest, most effective way in the world. It's the national cure. Never fails.

"GETS-IT" is sold and recommended by druggists everywhere. 25c a bottle, or sent on receipt of price, by E. Lawrence & Co., Chicago, Ill. "Sold in Laredo and recommended as the world's best corn remedy by the Peoples Pharmacy."

It Always Helps

says Mrs. Sylvania Woods, of Clifton Mills, Ky., in writing of her experience with Cardui, the woman's tonic. She says further: "Before I began to use Cardui, my back and head would hurt so bad, I thought the pain would kill me. I was hardly able to do any of my housework. After taking three bottles of Cardui, I began to feel like a new woman. I soon gained 35 pounds, and now, I do all my housework, as well as run a big water mill.

I wish every suffering woman would give

CARDUI The Woman's Tonic

a trial. I still use Cardui when I feel a little bad, and it always does me good."

Headache, backache, side ache, nervousness, tired, worn-out feelings, etc., are sure signs of womanly trouble. Signs that you need Cardui, the woman's tonic. You cannot make a mistake in trying Cardui for your trouble. It has been helping weak, ailing women for more than fifty years.

Get a Bottle Today!

there, Mrs. Evans have lived in El Campo for the past twenty years.

Mrs. A. C. Markley left yesterday on the noon train for San Antonio, after a pleasant visit of several weeks to Mr. and Mrs. Diaz.

Rev. Allan Burleson, principal of St. Andrews Episcopal School, Mexico City, arrived yesterday and left on the night train for New York City to attend the consecration of his brother, Rev. Hugh Burleson, as bishop of South Dakota.

Mrs. F. F. Higgins and two children arrived yesterday from Sulphur, La., on a visit to her parents, Judge and Mrs. Hal W. Greer. Mrs. Higgins' friends will be sorry to hear of the illness of both children, making the attendance of a trained nurse necessary for the trip.

Entertainments.

The officers and ladies of Fort McIntosh entertained with a delightfully informal dance at the Ninth Infantry Club Tuesday evening. The Ninth Infantry Band furnished the music and a delicious refreshment course consisting of coffee, sandwiches and cakes was served during the evening. Among those present were: Colonel and Mrs. Alonzo Gray, Colonel and Mrs. Durfee, Major and Mrs. Lutz, Major and Mrs. Read, Major and Mrs. Hill, Captain and Mrs. Loeb, Captain and Mrs. Rumbold, Captain and Mrs. Hearne, Mesdames Lobbell, Wilson, and Zane; Misses Alice Denike, Lucille and Ruth Murphy, Sara Mowry, Myrtle and Ethel Mackin, Courtney Crutchfield, Courtney Slaughter, Lillian Westbrook, Clarisse Ryan, Louise Muller, Edna Brown; Major Crosby, Major Rothenback, Major Switzer, Captain Marquette, Captain Meador, Lieutenants Garrison, Woodruff, Hemphill, Dwan, Gill, Herr, Hudnut, Jones, Rutledge, Odell, Carr, Bundsche, Hobson, Bortem, Mr. J. R. Lobbell, and Lieutenant Alden Muller, Second Texas Infantry.

Club Notes.

The Parish Guild of Christ Church held a business meeting at the Rectory yesterday afternoon. All business pertaining to the Thanksgiving Bazaar was straightened out and the various committees turned over the moneys collected. The ladies took in \$137.50, and after all expenses were paid, the net gain was \$117.00. There will be no regular meeting of the guild until after the first of the year, but the members will hold a business meeting the Monday before Christmas at the Rectory, at three o'clock sharp. Those present yesterday were: Mesdames Cook, Woodman, Lusk, Puster, Nye, Younkin, Arthur, Lee,

LOST HIS LEGS, GETS MEDAL



Lieutenant Williams, a British officer who lost both legs in battle and who was presented with a military medal at Birmingham. He is being wheeled out in a chair from the palace after the presentation.

MacGregor, MacKinney, and Miss Adams of Mexico.

Dinners.

Dr. and Mrs. Dunbar entertained last evening with a dinner at seven o'clock. Covers were laid for Captain and Mrs. Rumbold, Lieutenant and Mrs. Stevens, Lieutenant and Mrs. Beukema, and the host and hostess.

Lieutenants Jones and Rutledge, Battery A, entertained at the Missouri Camp on Tuesday evening with a delightfully informal dinner. American Beauty roses and ferns were used in the table decoration a six-course dinner was served, and covers were laid for the following: Mesdames Rumbold, and Wilson, Misses Myrtle and Ethel Mackin, Lucille and Ruth Murphy, Lieutenants Bundsche, Sanford, Garrison and the hosts.

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TO CHRISTMAS SHOPPERS

We now have the latest designs in jewelry, silver novelties, cut-glass and all kinds of sterling silver toilet ware.

It will pay you to visit us and we will be more than pleased to show our elegant line.

We also have a very large stock of Victorolas, prices ranging from \$15.00 to \$250.00.

Come in and let us play some of the latest records for you.

LAREDO MUSIC & JEWELRY CO.

CARRANZA TROOPS REPORTED PURSUING VILLISTAS SOUTH OF CHIHUAHUA CITY

General Gonzalez Returned to Juarez from the Capital City and Reported that Some 5,000 Carranza Troops were Pursuing Villa's Forces, the Latter Estimated at Less than 3,000 Men.

LLOYD GEORGE NOW SEEKS LABOR AID

STATED THAT HE HAS MADE OVERTURES TO LABOR PARTY FOR SUPPORT OF CABINET.

By Associated Press.

London, Dec. 7.—Petrograd today reports that Bucharest was evacuated by the Rumanians, while the news from German sources indicates that the Rumanian capital was virtually deserted when the Teutonic forces entered. Berlin reports 9,000 Rumanians captured in yesterday's fighting. The Rumanians are retreating in Wallachia, holding the enemy in check by rear guard actions. Berlin says that Bulgarians repulsed the British on the Macedonia front and that Germans penetrated Russian positions west of Lutsk in Volhynia. The opinion is expressed that the Rumanians will evacuate all Wallachia and retire into Moldavia for a closer consolidation with the Russians.

The Central News says the new premier has offered the labor party two cabinet seats and one representative in the war council and that the offer was accepted.

Seeks Labor Support.

London, Dec. 7.—David Lloyd George, the new prime minister, has opened negotiations with the labor party with a view to securing its support and co-operation. At the meeting of the party this morning regret was expressed at the resignation of Premier Asquith, but it was decided to support any government pledged to prosecute the war and in which labor is adequately represented. It is believed that the formation of the cabinet will be a matter of only a day or so. Some estimates give Lloyd George the backing of all the Unionist members, seventy Liberals and probably labor members.

Claims It Was Transport.

Washington, Dec. 7.—A new German note claims the British steamer Arabia, sunk November 6, was a transport ship and therefore was to be traced as a warship.

PLAN PROHIBITION FIGHT.

By Associated Press. Washington, Dec. 7.—Prohibition and temperance leaders from all over the country gathered here today to plan a fight for nation-wide prohibition. Prohibition party, anti-saloon league and other organizations were represented.

ALDRICH-ALEXANDER WEDDING

New York, Dec. 7.—Fashionable society turned out in full force at the Fifth Avenue Presbyterian Church this afternoon for the wedding of Miss Harriet Alexander, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles B. Alexander of this city, and Winthrop W. Aldrich, son of the late Senator Nelson W. Aldrich of Rhode Island. The families of both bride and bridegroom are among the wealthiest in America and of highest social prominence. The marriage ceremony was performed by the bride's uncle, the Rev. Dr. Maitland Alexander of Pittsburg, assisted by the Rev. Dr. John H. Jowett, pastor of the church.

On Paper Only.

Having heard that General Obregon has sent 40,000 more troops after Villa, the El Paso Times remarks: "What becomes of the thousands of soldiers sent from Mexico City to hunt the festive bandit chief is not the least of the mysteries of the Mexican situation." Perhaps they exist only in the imagination of the paymaster and the numerous Carranza commanders with whom he splits the pay drawn from them.—Beaumont Enterprise.

By Associated Press.

Juarez, Mex., Dec. 7.—Between 4,000 and 5,000 men have left Chihuahua City in pursuit of Villa, according to Gen. Gonzalez, who has returned from there. He says Villa's followers are estimated at less than 3,000.

American Miner Killed.

El Paso, Texas, Dec. 7.—Howard Grey, an American mining man, was killed by Villistas when Parral was captured, a message received today says.

BRYAN OPPOSES IT.

By Associated Press.

Washington, Dec. 7.—William J. Bryan today told the joint congressional committee investigating transportation problems that he was opposed to the transfer of railroad regulatory power to the federal government because it would inject an immense political force in national affairs.

ANTI-SUFFRAGISTS MEET.

By Associated Press.

Washington, Dec. 7.—The first national gathering of women opposed to woman suffrage opened here today, Miss Mabel Boardman delivering the address.

MANY SEEK CITIZENSHIP.

By Associated Press.

Washington, Dec. 7.—A half million foreigners sought naturalization during the year ending in June, it was announced today.

DEMAND FOR LOANS EXCEEDING SUPPLY

FIFTY THOUSAND FARMERS HAVE ASKED FOR TOTAL OF \$150,000,000 IN LOANS.

By Associated Press.

Washington, Dec. 7.—The farm loan board announced today that 50,000 farmers have asked for \$150,000,000 on mortgage loans. This is seventeen times the amount which the twelve farm loan banks will have immediately available.

BETTER SAVE SEED.

By Associated Press.

Washington, Dec. 7.—The bureau of plant industry today advised cotton growers to make certain of their seed supply for next season, declaring that unusual oil prices may tempt farmers to cut down the cottonseed reserve.

"SAFETY FIRST" CONVENTION.

Baltimore, Md., Dec. 7.—Delegates

representing industrial and other organizations in many parts of the country were on hand here today when the second annual convention of the Safety First Federation of America was called to order by President Darwin P. Kingsley of New York. The convention sessions will continue 3 days and will be devoted to the discussion of a wide variety of subjects pertaining to public safety. These will include fire prevention, health and sanitation, uniformity in street traffic regulation, and plans to prevent accidents upon the right of way railroads.

Pity the Runts.

A majority of the members of the Chicago diet squad are fattening on the 40c ration. The whole squad of a dozen men and women have gained eleven and one-fourth pounds in three days. Nine of the members have gained while three have lost weight. This read like the runts are being crowded away from the trough again.—Galveston News.

TIMES WANT ADS.

Money Makers

HELD AUTOPSY OVER BODY OF TAYLORMAN

SUSPICION OF FOUL PLAY CAUSED ARREST OF DIVORCED WIFE AND EXHUMATION OF THE BODY.

By Associated Press.

Georgetown, Texas, Dec. 7.—An autopsy was held today over the exhumed body of Frank McLauren, a Taylor man who was found dead under his automobile ten days ago, and whose divorced wife and son are now in jail here with the woman's nephew and a negro named Jim Pollard.

THE NEW MEXICO VOTE.

By Associated Press.

Santa Fe, N. M., Dec. 7.—The official canvass makes President Wilson's plurality in New Mexico 2,392.

TOO COLD TO HAUL WOOD.

By Associated Press.

Fairbanks, Alaska, Dec. 7.—It is 50 degrees below zero here today and the city is suffering from a fuel. It is too cold to haul wood.

HEIDRICK WAS APPOINTED.

By Associated Press.

Austin, Dec. 7.—E. B. Heidrick of Brownwood today was appointed assistant attorney general in charge of criminal matters.

HAD MONEY LEFT.

By Associated Press.

Washington, Dec. 7.—The Wilson campaign cost \$1,684,590, it was announced today, but the Democratic National committee collected \$1,800,000.

FLORIDA REALTY MEN ORGANIZE.

Jacksonville, Fla., Dec. 7.—The organization of a State association of Florida real estate dealers is expected to result from a two-day conference begun in this city today. Nearly 200 prominent realty men from various parts of the State are in attendance.

ANNUAL BIRTHDAY COINCIDENCE.

Stoneham, Mass., Dec. 7.—A coincidence of dates is found in the family of Mr. and Mrs. John H. Lewis of this place, who tomorrow will celebrate their birthday anniversary, each reaching the age of fifty-eight years. The couple have had thirteen children, one of whom Mrs. William Greene, was born on her parents' birthday anniversary, and they have thirteen grandchildren, one of whom is Constance Wing of Melrose, whose birthday falls on the same day.

ILLINOIS MUNICIPAL LEAGUE.

Urbana, Ill., Dec. 7.—The third annual convention of the Illinois Municipal League, which began at the University of Illinois today, is marked by a large and representative attendance. Mayor William C. Barber of Joliet called the gathering to order and an address by Mayor Fesler of Cleveland, O., furnished the chief feature of the day's program. The convention will conclude its proceedings tomorrow.

Funston is Right.

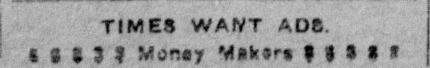
The position of General Funston, as we understand it, in his quarrel with the Baptists, is that he cannot permit evangelistic campaigns among the soldiers on the border. We have never heard of his refusing to permit religious exercises at the proper time, or encouragement of soldiers to read the Bible and obey God's commands. It seems to us he is right in refusing to allow revivals to be held, for they would no doubt interfere with the enforcement of discipline among the soldiers.—Hamilton Herald.

SOME OPTIMIST.

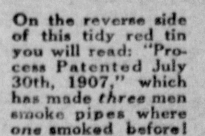
OPPOSE POLL TAX.

The illiteracy bill which was passed by one legislature and then vetoed, and which has since been a bone of contention in this state, would have settled this question far better than

Chamberlain's Tablets.
Chamberlain's Tablets are intended especially for stomach troubles, biliousness and constipation, and have met with much success in the treatment of those diseases. People who have suffered for years with stomach trouble and have been unable to obtain any permanent relief, have been completely cured by the use of these tablets. Chamberlain's Tablets are also of great value for biliousness. Chronic constipation may be permanently cured by taking Chamberlain's Tablets and observing the plain printed directions with each bottle.



When the time comes for dispatching Christmas packages to dear ones residing at a distance, or even in the city, these pretty seals can again be used in a most deserving manner by ornamenting the packages with them. Christmas seals, in the shape of gummed stamps, cost one cent each, and if people only fully realized the vast amount of good the sale of the seals was accomplishing, they would very willingly buy more of them. Buy the Christmas seals and use them liberally, and in the world to come you will reap a reward for good deeds done on earth.

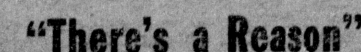


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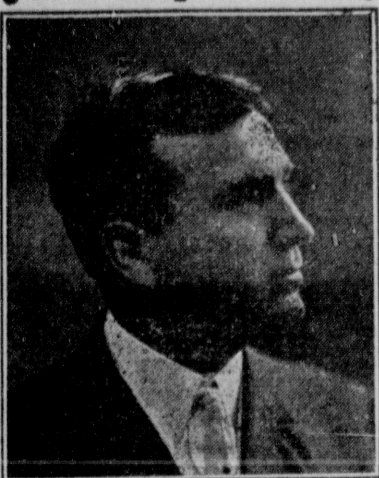
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Stomach Trouble and Constipation. Those who are afflicted with stomach trouble and constipation should read the following: "I have never found anything so good for stomach trouble and constipation as Chamberlain's Tablets. I have used them off and on now for the past two years. They not only regulate the action of the bowels but stimulate the liver and keep one's body in a healthy condition," writes Mrs. Benjamin Hooper, Auburn, N. Y.



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JOSE GILBERT GARCIA.

Jose Gilbert Garcia, Laredo's premier art photographer, was born at Sabinas Hidalgo, Mexico, February 4, 1875, and received his education through a course of study under European tutors, at college, and at the early age of 15 years was a professional photographer, one of the youngest, if not the youngest, following this profession. About the year 1900 Mr. Garcia came to this city and after following his profession in several studios, embarked in business for himself in the year 1909. Due to his peculiar fitness and skill in the profession he follows, it has become a by-word that "if you want a perfect photograph of your grand-father, grand-mother or the baby go to Garcia's." Nor is this saying unmerited, for Mr. Garcia has made such a deep study of his profession that he is able to please the most fastidious. Mr. Garcia is a member of the Photographers' Association of America, with headquarters in Washington, and yearly attends the convention of the association for the purpose of bringing to Laredo everything pertaining to up-to-the-minute photography. Mr. Garcia is well and favorably known and justly enjoys the confidence of Laredo's citizenry.

LITTLE LOCALS

—Every member of the Laredo Volunteer Fire Department who can possibly do so should attend the regular monthly meeting of the organization to be held at Firemen's Hall on Thursday evening beginning at 8 o'clock, as business of much importance will be transacted, including election of officers, selection of a celebration committee, etc.

—Many Laredo people believed that a battle was raging on the outskirts of the city last night beginning at about 9:30 o'clock, when a number of volleys of shots were heard at short intervals. It was only the working out of a night problem or maneuver by the national guardsmen in the northern part of Laredo.

—Saturday will be a big day in Laredo and interest will be unabated until the football game between the Missouri National Guard and the Second Texas Infantry teams is concluded. The Texas boys say they are in a position to do the same thing to the Missouri that took place at Corpus Christi during the game last month—win.

—The four regiments of national guardsmen and their units stationed in Laredo will see the "ghost walk" sometime this week, so it is reported. Many of the boys are hoping for pay-day, as they are down to their last "sou" and just to feel good walk into a bank to draw their bread.

—Another improvement in the city hall surroundings was made yesterday when the two electric light poles on Lincoln street, which were out in the street were removed and no longer obstruct traffic. The pole out in the road in front of the city hall will be removed in a short time.

—The following importations from Mexico passed through this port yesterday: Ten carloads of calamine, two carloads of ixite and three carloads of goats.

—A veritable "London fog" overhung Laredo this morning and for a time the air was filled with moisture to that extent where it was kindred to a misting rain. This is ideal kind of weather for growing young onions, but brings many discomforts to those who have to trudge around with these kind of atmospheric conditions prevailing.

—The United States troops have not captured Pancho Villa, but Webb county officers got one of his "family" and a petit jury yesterday found him guilty of bigamy and gave him five years in the state penitentiary. And thus again, Laredo and Webb county are keeping in the limelight.

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SOCIAL CALENDAR.

Tuesday.

Mrs. H. Stow Garlick will entertain the Tuesday Bridge Club at three o'clock in the afternoon.

Mrs. J. A. Thompson will entertain the Women's Missionary Society of the Methodist Church from three until five o'clock in the afternoon.

Christ Church Junior Auxiliary will hold their regular weekly meeting at the Rectory with Mrs. Cook at four o'clock in the afternoon.

Church sale of fancy articles by the Ladies Aid of the Presbyterian church at Stowers store, beginning at half after ten o'clock in the morning.

Regular meeting of Miriam Chapter No. 86 O. E. S. Masonic Hall at eight o'clock in the evening.

Ladies Night at the Ninth Infantry Club.

The Auction Bridge Club will be entertained by Mrs. Leon Daiches at half after three o'clock in the afternoon.

The Parish Guild of Christ Church will hold a business meeting with Mrs. Chas. Cook at the Rectory at four o'clock in the afternoon.

Dancing Class at Elks Hall from four until five o'clock in the afternoon.

Hammer and Anvil.

"Hammer away, ye hostile hands; Your hammers break, God's anvil stands."

Look forth and tell me what they do
On life's broad field. Oh, still they fight.

The false forever with the true,
The wrong forever with the right.
And still God's faithful ones, as men
Who hold a fortress strong and high.

Cry out in confidence again,
And find a comfort in the cry:

"Hammer away, ye hostile hands,
Your hammers break, God's anvil stands."

Thou knowest that thy cause is just?
Then rest in that; thy cause is sure.
The word is true? Oh, then it must,
In spite of slanderous tongues, endure

As toward the crag the billow rides,
Then falls back, shattered, to its place:

As fans the breeze the mountain sides,
Nor fans the mountain from its base;

So, in all times and in all lands,
Men's hammers break, God's anvil stands.

—Samuel Valentine Cox.

General Mention.

Professor Richardson returned on Saturday from Fort Worth, where he attended the teacher's convention.

Miss Edna Brown returned on Sunday morning from a pleasant visit to friends and relatives in Austin, San Marcos and Georgetown.

Mr. L. J. Christen returned yesterday morning from Fort Worth, where

PERSONALS

A. L. Gray of St. Louis is in the city on business.

Samuel Meyer of Rochester, N. Y., is in the city on one of his regular business visits.

M. H. Schneider, former superintendent of motive power of the National Lines of Mexico is in the city.

F. L. Granger of the North American Association is in the city on one of his regular annual business visits.

R. W. Morrison, president of the Laredo Electric & Railway Co., arrived in the city this morning.

Judge D. B. Chapin left last night for San Antonio after spending a few days in this city.

G. P. Brown, Esq., returned this morning to his home in Mission after a short visit here.

BENDER:—M. F. Cate, Terrell; L. B. Barnett, New York; C. L. Pate, Austin; Jack Leavy, New York; Enrique Gonzalez, Mexico; Miss Obea, Mrs. W. A. Kennedy, Gomez Palacio, Mex.; J. J. Sexton, J. B. Castañeda, Saltillo; P. P. Foster, Leslie Payne, San Antonio; W. T. Lightfoot, Kansas City, Mo.; Thos. Gonzalez, Gomez Palacio, Mex.; Frank G. Abbott, Wm. Edwards, M. Carroll, San Antonio; Wm. M. Lackbar, Mrs. C. H. McCullough, Mexico; D. G. Woltmann, H. B. Barnes, San Antonio; G. R. Richer, Dallas; A. Abshaw, San Antonio.

he attended the teacher's convention. Mrs. Christen stopped in San Antonio en route, and will return home today.

Misses Inez and Lalla Rookh Hill and their house-guest, Miss Billie Lane, returned to St. Mary's Hall, San Antonio, yesterday, after spending the Thanksgiving holidays in Laredo.

Miss Rowena Loftus has returned to Laredo after spending the holidays in Dolores with her parents.

Mrs. M. P. Cullinan left Friday night for San Antonio for a short stay.

Lieutenant Charles B. Hazeltine has been detailed to the Signal Corps, Fourteenth Cavalry.

Mr. Walter F. Woodul left this morning for Corpus Christi, where he will remain until Friday, and return with the football team. The Laredo boys—Co. 1, Second Texas—will be home in full force, and will arrive on a special train about seven o'clock in the evening.

Miss Myrtle Jacobs and little brother, Lonnie, returned yesterday to their home at Millett, Texas, after a short visit here to their sister, Mrs. A. J. Spruill.

Mrs. William Earnest of Millett arrived in the city yesterday for a several weeks visit to Mr. and Mrs. Harry G. Earnest.

Baptisms.

Yesterday afternoon at Christ Church, the two little daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Laue were baptized by Rev. Charles Cook. Anita Marie, sponsors Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Colman; Ethel Emma, sponsors Miss Margaret Capra and Mr. Will Capra.

Announcements.

The Ladies Aid Society of the Baptist church will meet on Thursday afternoon at three o'clock with Mrs. Yearly and Mrs. Bell. The members will answer to roll call with the name of some missionary in China, and tell something about him.

Wedding Announcement.

Invitations are out announcing the approaching marriage of Miss Hortensia Garcia, daughter of Mrs. Nieves S. Vda. de Garcia to Mr. Samuel Serrano. The wedding will occur at the Catholic church in Nuevo Laredo at nine o'clock, Thursday morning, December 14. The bride is a member of one of Nuevo Laredo's old time and prominent families, while the groom is also a prominent resident of that city, but who has been connected with Garcia's Studio in this city for the past eight years. After the wedding ceremony a reception will be held at the home of the bride, No. 90 Victoria street.

Entertainments.

The Nullos Club were most pleasantly entertained yesterday afternoon by Mrs. J. S. Penn. Quantities of white roses and white chrysanthemums, potted ferns and plants added to the attractiveness of the home. After the usual series of games of bridge were played Miss Penn scored high, and won the club prize, and the guest prize fell to Mrs. Ryan, both being beautiful cut-glass bud vases. The hostess served enchiladas and coffee at the conclusion of the games. Those present were: Club members—Miss Penn, Mesdames Woodman, Huberich and Young; the guests of the afternoon were—Mesdames Ryan, Morton, Sauvignat and C. C. Biggio.

Mrs. Chas. Laue entertained with a beautiful party yesterday afternoon in honor of the tenth birthday of her little daughter, Anita Marie. The children enjoyed a number of contest games, in which Emilie Halsell won the first prize and was awarded a "Geography Game." Mabel Barr and Dorothy Seamon were also lucky prize winners, and were given a bluebird vase each. At the conclusion of the games a delightful refreshment course was served the young folk from an attractively decorated table. A large white bell hung from the chandelier, directly over the center of the table, from which pink streamers were caught, and extended to the corners of the room. A large white birthday cake ornamented with ten tiny rose-colored candles, each set in rose colored roses, rested on a lace doiley over rose color. The favors for the girls were miniature wicker baskets filled with bonbons, and the boys' favors were rose-colored crepe paper bags filled with bonbons tied with silk cords. Each one of the boys also received a miniature pottery figure of a boy. A delightful refreshment course was served, the ices, cakes and candies featuring the color scheme of rose and white. In cutting the birthday cake, Walter Randolph cut the dime, and Ralph Cook the nickel, and Mary Cook the button. Those present were: Pearl and Ruby Colman, Mabel Barr, Mary Cook, Mildred Nickums, Carolyn Brennan, Madonna Sorrell, Minerva

G'Sell, Anna May Mussett, Emilie Halsell, Catherine and Gretchen Wood, Harriet Twiss, Dorothy Seamon, Marjorie Fish, Dorothy and Virginia Moon, Anita and Ethel Laue, Wauter Seamon, Jack Halsell, Edward G'Sell, George and Teddy Gittinger, Hunter Randolph, Bayless Gullette, Ralph Cook, Gordon Barr; Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Colman, Mrs. Arthur, Rev. and Mrs. C. W. Cook, Mr. and Mrs. Will Capra, Mrs. Capra, Mrs. Seamon, Miss Margaret Capra, Mrs. Chas. Hockheimer, Mr. and Mrs. Laue, Mr. M. Hubert, Mr. L. Bruni.

Kathleen Blair Clarke Recital. "Friends of Kathleen Blair Clarke as well as music-lovers are anticipating a great treat in her recital which will take place Thursday, December 14, at the ballroom of the St. Anthony Hotel. Judging from the program, Mrs. Clarke has chosen many musical and new compositions which have not yet been heard here, as the four numbers by the great Russian composers, Paul Juon and Ivanhoff. Mrs. Clarke, being equipped with a faultless technique and possessing a poetic temperament, will not disappoint those expectations. Mrs. Fred Jones, soprano, will make the program still more attractive and will sing several groups of songs by Mrs. Clarke, Mr. Steinfeldt and Tchaikowsky. Later Mrs. Clarke intends to go to New York to continue her studies with Percy Goeschling."

The item above taken from the San Antonio Express of Sunday is of interest to Laredo people as well as San Antonians, since many are to have the pleasure of hearing Mrs. Clarke, better or perhaps more familiarly known as Kathleen Blair Clarke, at the delightful musicale planned for next Saturday night at the Hamilton, with Mrs. David F. Anderson and Mrs. J. A. MacDonald as hostesses. Mrs. Clarke aside from her American training has had the advantages of study abroad, as she is a pupil of Da Mata of Berlin, and is not only a brilliant pianist but is considered as one of our composers of greatest promise. Her songs are especially beautiful. Saturday evening Mrs. Clarke will play the numbers by Juon and Ivanhoff mentioned in the newspaper clipping, as well as favorite numbers from the older masters.

Heights Civic Club.

The Heights Civic Club met at the home of Mrs. W. H. Mims at four o'clock Monday afternoon. The ways and means committee was dissolved and all routine business disposed of. The work of planting evergreens and shade trees in Loma Vista Park will begin Thursday, and the park will later be sodded in Bermuda grass. The Heights school building has been excellently planned, and will make a most pleasing picture amid tastefully arranged grounds. Demonstration work, community gatherings, etc., are being enthusiastically discussed. The boys' football games are to be played in the rear of Loma Vista park hereafter, and they are now busy preparing their grounds. A plea was made for all members to insist upon their blocks being kept clean. The worst impression created in the minds of visitors to Laredo is not our lack of sewers and sidewalks, but our uncleanly dirty streets. After the streets have been cleaned and receptacles placed for waste paper, a fine should be imposed upon careless people who make garbage piles of our sidewalks. Sewers and paved streets are splendid things, but we don't have to issue bonds to become clean. If Laredo people are ever going to wake up and do things, now is a whole lot better time than next year. The problem of increasing food prices is proving a most serious one, and concerted effort on the part of all housekeepers seems to be the only solution at present. Strong legislation would be a big help, and as our men won't allow us a voice in such matters, effective laws would be duly appreciated by the inferior humans who are strenuously striving to hold the grocery bills down.

—Contributed.

—The ladies of the Christian church will hold their Japanese bazaar and Christmas Sale on next Saturday in the building opposite the Royal Opera House.

CIVIL SERVICE REFORM LEAGUE

New Haven, Conn., Dec. 5.—The thirty-six annual meeting of the National Civil Service Reform League opened here today with a good attendance. A number of papers and address on reform and government are to be presented at the two day's sessions. This year the league expects to make a feature of the effort to secure legislation which will permit the competitive classification of all postmasters. For the first time in a presidential campaign the two leading candidates this year were willing to pledge themselves to support such legislation. This act, the league believes, is evidence that the time has come for Congress to give up its right to name first, second and third class postmasters.

AMERICAN REPORTED KILLED BY VILLA AND DAUGHTER REPORTED CAPTURED SAFE

Telegram Received from Charles Elmendorf at El Paso Today Denies Rumors that He had been Killed and His Daughter Captured in the Recent Raid on Chihuahua by the Bandit Leader.

ENTENTE LOSSES SAID TO BE HEAVY

COPENHAGEN STATISTICIANS ESTIMATE THE ALLIED LOSSES AT FIFTEEN MILLIONS.

By Associated Press. Berlin, Dec. 5.—The Copenhagen Research Society estimates the total loss of the Entente powers during the war at 15,000,000 men, of which the Russians lost 8,500,000, the French 3,700,000, the British 1,200,000, and the Italians 800,000, the smaller nations making up the remainder.

Serbian Still Progress.

London, Dec. 5.—The Serbians won a further success in the Cerna river region and carried the village of Stravina by assault, capturing two howitzers, it is officially announced. The village of Seovk, five miles north of Granushite, is in flames and the Bulgarians are retreating northward.

Repulsed Russians.

Sofia, Dec. 5.—Repulse of repeated Russian attacks in Wallachia and Dobrudja are reported in the official statement today.

Rumanians Unsuccessful.

Petrograd, Dec. 5.—Rumanians were unsuccessful in their attempts to check the Teutons on the road from Ploechti to Bucharest, the war office says.

Carries No Peace Plans.

New York, Dec. 5.—When Ambassador Gerard left today for his Berlin post he said he carried no peace plans. He carried President Wilson's views regarding the submarine warfare and the deportation of the Belgians for presentation to the imperial government.

Erought Down Aeroplanes.

Paris, Dec. 5.—Sub-Lieut. Nungesser shot down two aeroplanes within two hours yesterday, bringing his total to 20, the war office said. There were no important developments on the French front last night.

Serbian Continue Advance.

Paris, Dec. 5.—Continuing their advance in the Cerna region of the Macedonian front, the Serbians have reached the outskirts of the village of Stravina, it is officially announced. French and Serbians progressed north of Paralova on the Cerna salient.

Russian Attacks Failed.

Berlin, Dec. 5.—Renewed Russian attacks in the Carpathian forests and along the line of the Transylvanian front yesterday failed, it is officially announced. The Teutons recaptured lost positions. The British were repulsed in an attempt to advance west of the Albert-Warlencourt road. The Teutons are pursuing the defeated Rumanians before Bucharest, Russian attacks were repulsed in the Danube lowlands with heavy losses. The number of prisoners taken has been increased to 12,500.

Lloyd George Resigns.

London, Dec. 5.—War Secretary Lloyd George has drafted his resignation after receiving an intimation that Premier Asquith could not agree to a suggestion that a war council should be formed without the premier as the head.

How to Check That Cold.

When it is painful to breathe and fever sends chills up and down your back, you are in for a cold. A timely dose of Dr. Bell's Pine Tar Honey will stop the sneezes and sniffles. The pine balsam loosens the phlegm and clears the bronchial tubes, the honey soothes and relieves the sore throat. The antiseptic qualities kill the germ and the congested condition is relieved. Croup, whooping cough and chronic bronchial affections quickly relieved. At all Druggists, 25 cents.

By Associated Press. El Paso, Dec. 5.—Charles Elmendorf, an American reported killed at Chihuahua is safe and his daughter, reported captured by Villa, is at Clifton, Arizona, a message from Elmendorf today said.

By Associated Press. Tarrytown, N. Y., Dec. 5.—John D. Archbold, president of the Standard Oil Company of New Jersey, died at his home here this morning. Archbold's fortune was estimated at nearly \$100,000,000.

TRIBLE MAY DIE.

By Associated Press. Washington, Dec. 5.—Representative Tribble of Georgia, stricken with apoplexy is in a critical condition and may die.

AMERICANS CALLED WHITE CHINAMEN

NO AMERICAN KILLED BY VILLA IN CHIHUAHUA BUT MUCH PROPERTY WAS DAMAGED.

By Associated Press. Chihuahua City, Mex., Dec. 5.—The new governor of Chihuahua, General Arnulfo Gonzales, was installed today. The city is being looted, houses searched for looted goods and constitutionalist cavalry is in pursuit of the Villa bandits, whose exact whereabouts is unknown. Villa's administration here was a "reign of terror." Municipal President Holguin and eight prominent citizens were executed, about 40 Chinamen were slain and other foreigners were killed or injured. Great property damage was visited upon a number of stores conducted by foreigners and the property of the Chinese slain was destroyed. Eight Americans were called "white Chinamen" by Villa while riding through the city, but escaped harm. General Treviño narrowly escaped death at Horcasitas when a bullet sped through his hat. General Murguia is taking command. Villa is reported to intend to move south into Durango.

WOMAN, HERSON AND NEPHEW ARE IN JAIL

ACCUSED OF THE MURDER OF DIORCED HUSBAND WHOSE BODY WAS FOUND BURNED UNDER AUTO.

By Associated Press. Georgetown, Texas, Dec. 5.—Mrs. Carrie McLauren, the divorced wife of Frank McLauren of Taylor, who was found dead under his automobile the morning of November 28, is in jail with her son Carroll, aged 17 years, and her nephew, Harry McBride, 21 years old, and Jim Pollard, a negro, also of Taylor. The negro is charged with complicity in connection with the killing of McLauren and the others are charged with murder. It is alleged that McLauren was shot to death. When found his body was burned beyond recognition.

Ecclesiastes Boehmer.

once we were young and now we own a razor, but never yet have we seen a collegiate education that could substitute for native intelligence.—Eagle Pass Guide.

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WILSON RECEIVED BIG DEMONSTRATION

ADDRESS TO CONGRESS DEALT SOLELY WITH DOMESTIC MATTERS, MOSTLY RAILROADS.

By Associated Press. Washington, Dec. 5.—President Wilson's address at the opening of the session of congress today was wholly devoted to domestic subjects, principally the problem of railway legislation. The president read his address from the clerk's desk. He not only renewed his recommendation for legislation to prevent a nationwide railway strike or lockout before there had been opportunity for investigation, but defended it against the attack of organized labor as nothing arbitrary or unjust and the "justifiable safeguarding of society of the necessary process of its very life." Aside from the recommendations for the passage of the Porto Rico government bill, the corrupt practices bill and the Webb bill to legalize American collective selling agencies abroad, the president's address was wholly devoted to the railroad situation.

Bryan Led Demonstration.

Washington, Dec. 5.—When President Wilson appeared before congress this afternoon to deliver his address, Democrats and many Republicans united in a great demonstration to felicitate the president on his reelection. Former Secretary of State Bryan led the demonstration. Suffragists unfurled a banner over the balcony reading: "Mr. President! What will you do for woman suffrage?" A page confiscated it. Mr. Wilson smiled.

WILLARD-CARPENTIER.

By Associated Press. New York, Dec. 5.—George Carpentier, the heavyweight champion of France, and Jesse Willard are virtually matched for a ten-round, no-decision bout here within the next two months, it is verbally agreed, but the contract is not yet signed.

GREGORY AS JUDGE.

By Associated Press. Washington, Dec. 5.—If Thomas W. Gregory carries out his reported intention of resigning from the cabinet, President Wilson may nominate him United States judge in the Fifth Circuit of Appeals, comprising the Gulf States, to succeed the late Judge McCormick.

"INTERNATIONAL SPY" TO HAVE HEARING.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 5.—It is expected that some of the mystery surrounding the case of Dr. Amagard Carl Graves may be cleared up tomorrow, when the self-styled international spy is to be given a preliminary hearing before United States Commissioner Taylor on the charge of having attempted to extort \$3,000 from Countess Von Bernstorff, wife of the German ambassador. Neither the ambassador nor his wife is expected to attend the hearing. The principal witness for the prosecution will be Prince Hatzfeldt, councillor of the German embassy, to whom Graves is alleged to have offered to turn over certain valuable papers and correspondence in return for a money consideration.

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WERE THEY NARROW-MINDED??

According to Austin American, Thanksgiving Day was instituted by "a small band of people, men who were virtually forced to emigrate from their native land by reason of their narrowness in religious belief, carrying a disposition to dictate to all and to censure those who were not of their belief, men who would never concede joy or title to others who would not agree with them. They departed for an unknown land with the prime object of not alone having their own religious belief unhampered, but to force their views upon all with whom they came in contact."

In this, Austin American differs with all histories of that period. It was not merely because the religious belief of the Puritans who instituted Thanksgiving Day was "narrow" that they left England, but because the belief of others was so narrow that the Puritans were not permitted to exercise the privilege of worshipping as they pleased, and because they were killed for differing from the "constituted authorities."

That they became as narrow as those who persecuted them was not due to their religious faith, but to the times. The Quakers and the Baptists, whom they drove from their colonies, were as narrow and as fanatical in their particular religious belief as were the people like Cotton Mather and others who enforced a strict observance of the Lord's Day and other feasts of the Christian Church.

To many of us today the strict Puritans were mistaken in many things. We cannot conceive how women were hanged in the name of religion any more than we can conceive the horrors of the inquisition under Torquemada. We cannot understand the mode of thought that could be tender for a stalled ox and then throw a neighborhood gossip into a frozen stream. Some of us cannot understand why a man who religiously observed the "Sabbath" from sundown on Saturday until sundown on Sunday could insist upon the brewing of a "rum punch" for his Saturday supper.

The narrowness of the old days has passed away. The Thanksgiving which the Puritans instituted has degenerated into a festival of license, sports and excesses in drinking and carousing. Are we, who pride ourselves upon our broadness of religious belief, any closer to the Kingdom than those sturdy colonists who went to church with a long-barreled musket and a Bible clasped in the same hand?

Are we any broader-minded because we no longer hang or drawn witches and because we motor on Sunday instead of reading Baxter's Saints Lives? Is our worship more pleasing to the Most High because it is accompanied by an organ and trained voices instead of being nasally chanted to the tune of Duke Street or Old Hundred?

In boasting of our freedom from narrowness in religious belief, we should consider what we have lost that those old saints possessed. We have lost the nearness to the Throne which was an ever-present blessing of those who walked in the narrow path which led from the cradle to the graveyard. We have lost the security in belief which inspired those men and women on their deathbeds and which kept them contented through the narrow round of their "cribbled, cabined and confined" lives—the assurance of a blessed hereafter and the confidence that "I have never seen the seed of the righteous beggaring bread."

The very idea of Thanksgiving shows that the old Puritans were not so narrow-minded that they could not give thanks to their Creator and Preserver for His manifold blessings. The need for food and for protection against their enemies was ever-present, and hence they were apt to consider those things more than those of the present day, who are not so

much in need as their forefathers.

We who need so little are not at all grateful for what we have. We take things for granted, or else blame the government for our lack of what we feel is due us. Instead of reviling those who have gone before, we should be grateful that they left us a heritage which was kept intact while they lived—a faith in God and gratitude for his blessings.

WASHINGTON WORRIED.

Official Washington is worried lest Villa secured the dominancy in Chihuahua and thus upset the plans formulated for the withdrawal of Pershing's forces from that state. News of further rebel successes in various parts of Mexico is adding to the worry. The demand of Carranza that the embargo on munitions of war be lifted in order that he may be able to control the situation does not help any, and affairs are now no different from what they were before the recognition of Carranza.

The announcement from Juarez that the Carrancistas had re-entered Chihuahua City and driven Villa out may be accepted with a grain of salt, as the Carranza government insisted that it was still in control of that city for three days after Villa had possession. The report that Gen. Murguía had defeated a large band of Villistas who were attempting to make their way out of the captured city reads like fiction.

There is no particular reason why Villa should attempt to hold Chihuahua City unless he had prospects of capturing Juarez and controlling all of the northwest. The fact that the Carrancistas were forced to abandon it because of shortage of food and ammunition indicates that its possession would be of little strategic value, and the wily bandit leader never wastes time or effort for sentimental reasons.

The raising of the embargo to aid Carranza would be one of the most foolish moves our government could make. This is recognized by all our military commanders, who have not hesitated to state their reasons for a refusal of the request—or demand.

To permit Carranza to import large stores of munitions at the present while the delicate question of the withdrawal of Pershing's forces is still pending would be to arm a potential enemy against a possible necessity of invasion. The open threat which Carranza made of declaring war against us unless Pershing was ordered out is an indication of what we may expect as soon as he is equipped for war.

Villa's attitude toward us is one of frank and open hostility. Carranza's attitude, on the contrary, is one of duplicity and of feigned friendship, although at times he lifts the mask and lets us observe the grimace of hatred which distorts his features.

Neither of the two leaders feels friendly toward the United States. In Carranza's case he is actuated by a hatred of us for not having conceded all his foolish demands, as well as the knowledge that he has betrayed us on several occasions. With Villa it is merely the hatred which comes of a knowledge that everything has been done within the range of human possibility to prevent him from securing the domination in Mexican affairs.

Each day we are forced to the conclusion that the most foolish thing we could do would be to permit the Carrancistas to secure fresh supplies of munitions and to withdraw our forces from Chihuahua. That Villa was able, despite the presence of Pershing's command, to attack a well-garrisoned city and take it in the face of strong resistance, is evidence that our troops are needed there. That the Carrancistas were unable to resist the attack is proof that their forces do not dominate all of Mexico—perhaps none of it.

A continued recognition of Carranza means that we should, in all honor, lend him all the aid we can to vanquish his enemies. And he has demonstrated that his enemies are more powerful than he is.

Carranza was ostensibly backed to win because he was said to offer the best promise of success. Since his recognition, more than a year ago, he has shown that he has no strength and little inclination to dominate the situation. He is the weakest of all the Mexican revolutionists, and he is fast losing the confidence of the people. In defeat a part of his forces always cross over to the enemy, and his only method of subduing rebellion is to execute all prisoners.

Due solely to the recognition of the United States, Carranza has been able to the present to remain in nominal control of the country, but he cannot last much longer without our active aid.

It is now up to Germany to punish the impudent allies who attacked the Greek capital and forced the king to surrender. If he cannot support his friends, what does Wilhelm expect of them?

Carranza says what he desires first

NOTABLE BIRTHDAYS TODAY.

DECEMBER 4.

Crown Prince Alexander of Serbia, Regent of that kingdom and commander of the valiant little Serbian army which is now redeeming Serbian soil from the invader, is 27 years old today. The recent capture of Macedonia and its capital city Monastir from the Bulgarians, by Prince Alexander's forces aided by the French, centered the attention of the world on the young prince-soldier. He is the second son of King Peter, and was born at Belgrade, Dec. 4, 1889. Upon the renunciation of his claim to the throne by his elder brother, George, in 1909, Prince Alexander was declared Crown Prince, and as the aged king has been for a long time in ill-health, he has delegated full royal authority to him for all affairs of government. Since the beginning of the war and throughout the awful sufferings endured by the Serbian during its disastrous retreat in 1915, he was with the soldiers in the field. Prince Alexander's mother was Princess Zorka of Montenegro, and he is therefore a nephew of the Queen of Italy, who was Princess Helene of Montenegro.

DON'T WASTE TIME.

It's a waste of time to experiment with liniments and plasters when you have a dull, throbbing backache or sharp, stabbing twinges. Get after the cause! Help the kidneys with Doan's Kidney Pills. Read this:

F. C. Bertrand, 1618 Guadalupe St., Laredo, says: "My kidneys were irregular in action and I suffered from backaches. I used plasters and different medicines, but none of them did me so much good as Doan's Kidney Pills. They stopped the pains in my back and regulated the kidney action." (Statement given November 18, 1911).

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Price 50c, at all dealers. Don't simply ask for kidney remedy—get Doan's Kidney Pills—the same that Mr. Bertrand has twice publicly recommended. Foster-Milburn Co., Props., Buffalo, N. Y.

Notice to Tax Payors.

My office in the City Hall is now open for the collection of City taxes, real and personal for the year 1916. Hours: 9 a. m. to 12 m. and from 2 to 5 p. m.

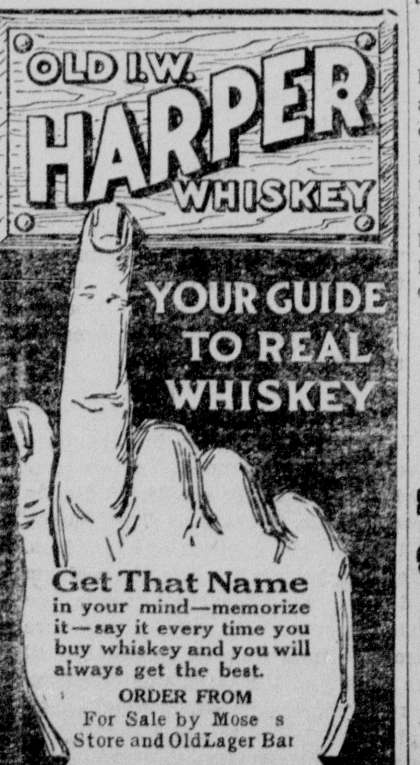
D. C. de LACHICA,
City Tax Collector.
11-14-30t.

Gas in the stomach comes from food which has fermented. Get rid of this badly digested food as quickly as possible if you would avoid a bilious attack; HERBINE is the remedy you need. It cleanses and strengthens the stomach, liver and bowels, and restores energy and cheerfulness. Price 50c. Sold by all druggists.

Of all is the re-establishment of rights and of the principle of individual liberty. What is interesting some of the old czar's subjects is the restoration of the property he and his men stole under color of confiscation.

Chicago prices on butter, eggs and poultry dropped suddenly under the boycott instituted by the housewives of that city. That's an example for some of our civic associations. Perhaps we might be able to buy an egg or two if they were to start a boycott.

Only fifteen football players lost their lives this season instead of the sixteen reported last year. This gradual decrease leads to believe that some time in the future we may have even a bloodless football game.



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Get That Name in your mind—memorize it—say it every time you buy whiskey and you will always get the best.

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LITTLE LOCALS

—For box reservations for the Choral Club concert Dec. 13 call Mrs. J. B. Morton, phone 288.

—The Presbyterian Ladies will hold a sale of fancy and useful articles Tuesday, December 5th at Stowers Furniture store. 12-1-3t.

—The importations through this port today from Mexico consisted of three carloads of cattle, three carloads of goats and two carloads of skins.

—See R. Flores & Bro. for toys. North side Market Plaza. 11-4-1m.

—The following marriage license has been issued by the county clerk since the last report: Teofilo Garcia and Mrs. Luisa Medina. 11-4-1m.

—Buy your Christmas presents at sale December 5th at Stowers Furniture store. 12-1-3t.

—Mr. Clark of the Florida regiment will sing a baritone solo at the concert of the Laredo Choral Club at the Royal Opera House Dec. 13.

—Before you buy your toys see R. Flores & Bro. North side Market Plaza. 11-4-1m.

—Many commendatory and complimentary remarks have been made on the new feature appearing in the Times—biographical sketches and photos of some of Laredo's prominent men. The pictures and sketches of Mayor Robert McComb and Postmaster J. N. Worsham, which appeared on Friday and Saturday respectively, elicited much favorable comment.

—Christmas sale of fancy articles at Stowers Furniture store opens at 10:30 a. m., December 5th. 12-1-3t.

—A movement should be started in Laredo at once for giving the boys of the Second Texas Infantry, and especially the Laredo company of that regiment, a reception and good time generally when they accompany the Second Texas football team from Corpus Christi to Laredo for the game with the Missouri National Guard team on next Saturday.

—Doctors Wilson and Stafford, DENTISTS. Office over People's Pharmacy. Phone 746. 10-10-1t.

—An alarm of fire from the fourth ward was sounded yesterday morning about 10 o'clock and the fire apparatus made a hasty response. It was only soot in a chimney burning out and there was absolutely no necessity of turning in the alarm and exciting the whole populace.

—I will mount your birds, deer, javelin, coyote and wild cats true to life. Skins tanned and made in rugs. W. A. Muter, Laredo, Texas. 10-31-2m.

—The Laredo Choral Club, assisted by Mrs. J. A. Stevens and Miss Eva Austin, at the Royal Opera House, Dec. 13.

—Large assortment of latest copyrights and popular fiction. Place your Christmas orders now. Sonora News Company. 12-1-3t.

—The regular monthly meeting of the Laredo Volunteer Fire Department will be held at Firemen's Hall on Thursday evening beginning at 8 o'clock. Election of officers to serve for the ensuing year will take place and other important business will be transacted and all members of the Fire Department are urged to be present.

—Teacher of English Spanish and Gregg shorthand, evening lessons only. Apply Wm W Gregg Times office. 10-11-1t.

—A passenger arriving from Tampico on Sunday says that in a battle between Villistas and Carrancistas between San Luis Potosi and Tampico four days ago sixty Carrancistas were killed, while the Villista loss was comparatively light. Villistas are reported more active than ever in all portions of Mexico at this time.

—Wm W. Gregg, Notary Public, at Times office. 6-5-1t (Adv.)

—Do you desire comfort? Use electric lights and fans. 4-24-1t (Adv.)

—When a National Lines train was held up at Talla, between Torreón and Paredon several days ago Generals De los Santos and Calzado and sixteen soldiers were taken off the train and executed by Villistas, then the passengers were relieved of their possessions and the engineer and coal passer on the train were clubbed to death by the Villistas.



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ELKS MEMORIAL SERVICES HELD SUNDAY AFTERNOON

AND LARGELY ATTENDED BY MEMBERS AND MANY OTHERS

Hon. Wilbur P. Allen of Austin Delivered Memorial Address and Paid Touching Tribute to Dead.

The annual memorial services of Laredo Lodge No. 1018, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, with solemn and impressive services appropriate to the occasion, were held yesterday afternoon at Elks Hall, the ceremonies in memory of those members of the lodge who had responded to the last call starting just a little before 4 o'clock, when a program of ritualistic work, music and a memorial address constituted the features of the solemn occasion. Quite a large number of invited guests, including many ladies, were present and the occasion of reverence for the memory of the dead was most appropriately observed.

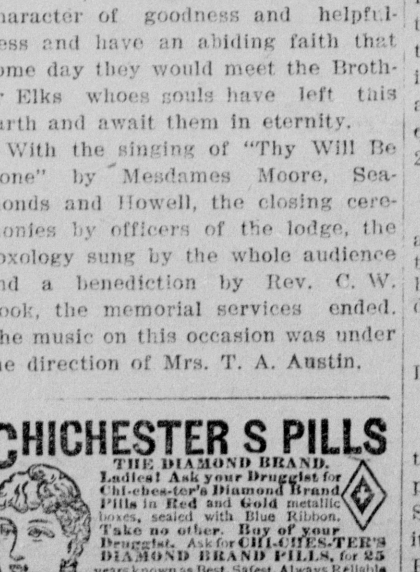
Preceded by the officers of the lodge, the local Elks entered the hall accompanied by Hon. Wilbur P. Allen of Austin, the orator of the occasion, who delivered a beautiful memorial address. The officers and members of the lodge took positions on the rostrum, in the center of which the station of the exalted ruler was draped with an American flag. Roll call of the departed members whose memories were honored on this occasion was with due solemnity, as a silence pervaded the hall as the names of the departed Elks were called and no response was made.

Following this Mesdames Moore, Seamounts and Howell sang in a touching manner "Trust in God," after which came the opening ceremonies, second part, by officers of the lodge and the singing of the opening ode. At the conclusion of the ode Rev. Wharton offered up prayer and Mrs. J. A. Stevens inspiringly sang, "O Lord Most High."

The next number on the program was the tribute to the departed Elks by Hon. Wilbur P. Allen of Austin. In words couched in tender sentiments and with encomiums for the departed Elks, the eulogy of Mr. Allen was one of the most beautiful addresses ever made here on the occasion of Elks Memorial Day. He said that the Elks came from all walks of life and tried to so conduct themselves in this life that when the time came and the Great Exalted Ruler called them to the eternal home, they left behind them memories that were perpetuated for all time—and that though those whom we remembered on this day were dead, their spirits abided with the loved ones and brothers on earth. In speaking of the physical and spiritual world the speaker said that all men should so conduct their lives that when the time came for leaving this sphere they should be ready to go and not fear death and the entry into the world beyond, but leave behind them memories that would be perpetuated in reverence and love.

Mr. Allen said that since last memorial day two members of the Laredo lodge had answered the last roll call, these being Bros. P. M. Sauvignat and Peter F. Flavin, whom he termed good Christian men—high-hearted, whole-souled Elks who helped humanity in general and made the world better for their being in it. He said that these two liberal, kind-hearted men were of the kind that leave behind them acts that cause their memories to be perpetuated for ever. He then paid fitting tribute to all the departed members of the Elks lodge and said "we shall meet again in a world where life is everlasting and where the union will be perpetual and unending." He asserted that the memories of the dead Elks bear a message to the living ones—that they so conduct themselves in this world that when the time shall come for parting they be prepared to enter that world where the innumerable caravan is bivouacked on the shores of the eternal world. In touching words the speaker referred to the good characteristics and acts of many men in this life and said that they set examples that should be emulated; that all should be strong in character of goodness and helpfulness and have an abiding faith that some day they would meet the Brother Elks whose souls have left this earth and await them in eternity.

With the singing of "Thy Will Be Done" by Mesdames Moore, Seamounts and Howell, the closing ceremonies by officers of the lodge, the doxology sung by the whole audience and a benediction by Rev. C. W. Cook, the memorial services ended. The music on this occasion was under the direction of Mrs. T. A. Austin.



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SOLE BY DRUGGISTS EVERYWHERE

IN THIRTEEN-INNING GAME FOURTH MISSOURIANS WIN

RACE FOR PENNANT LAREDO DISTRICT LEAGUE IS ON.

There Are Three Contenders for the Cup and Some Warm Games Will Consequently Result.

Teams	Played	Won	Lost	Pct.
Fourth Missouri	11	8	3	.272
Fourteenth Cavalry	12	8	4	.667
Third Field Artillery	12	8	4	.667
LAREDO	12	6	6	.500
Ninth Infantry	13	5	8	.384
Nationals	13	5	8	.384
New Hampshire	11	4	7	.364

The above is the official standing of the seven teams composing the Laredo District Baseball League. The race for the league pennant is in the balance, with the Fourth Missouri team in the lead as the result of winning a hard-fought game from the Fourteenth Cavalry which took thirteen innings to decide yesterday afternoon. Contending for the "pennant" are two teams close on the heels of the leaders, these being the Fourteenth Cavalry and the Third Field Artillery teams, both of which are tied for second place and only one game behind the Fourth Missouri. To be safe and win the coveted prize the Fourth Missouri will have to take a game from each of the two teams to advance itself to safety, while by one of the second place teams winning and the Missourians losing the complexion of the percentage column will be changed. Or the Fourteenth Cavalry and Third Field Artillery can lose two games each which they are to play with teams of the league and the Missourians can "cop" one game and win the prize. The Fourth Missouri have three games to play, while the two second place teams have two games each to play. These games will be played on next Saturday and Sunday afternoons.

The game yesterday afternoon between the Fourteenth Cavalry and the Fourth Missouri, a battle supreme for pennant position, was one of the best and most exciting games played here during the league season. With Roberts on the firing line for the Fourth Missouri and Carmen doing the honors for the Fourteenth Cavalry, two of the acknowledged best twirlers in the league were pitted against each other. At the beginning of the ninth inning yesterday the Missourians had been held scoreless by Carmen, but seeing their chances for the pennant fading with their useless condition at that stage of the game, the Missourians rallied and went after Carmen's goat with a vim that meant business—they found him for three runs and tied the score, 3 to 3. With brighter prospects of victory before them the Missouri boys "came from behind," gave their tosser brilliant support and a battle royal was fought until the end of the thirteenth inning, when Carmen began to weaken and the nebular shades of night began to gather and the Missourians put two more runners across the plate, winning the game by a score of 5 to 3. The game by innings was as follows:

4th Missouri	...000 000 003 000 2-5
14th Cavalry	...000 002 010 000 0-3

Batteries—Roberts and Waite for Missouri; Carmen and Bellard for the Fourteenth Cavalry. Roberts struck out 9 men and Carmen 12; Roberts allowed 7 hits and Carmen 15. The Fourteenth Cavalry made one triple play. The Fourth Missouri made one double play and the Fourteenth Cavalry three double plays. Hence it will be seen that Carmen was found for more than twice the number of hits allowed by Roberts, though there was more real feature playing done by the cavalrymen than the "dough boys."

How to Check That Cold.
When it is painful to breathe and fever sends chills up and down your back, you are in for a cold. A timely dose of Dr. Bell's Pine Tar Honey will stop the sneezes and sniffles. The pine balsam loosens the phlegm and clears the bronchial tubes, the honey soothes and relieves the sore throat. The antiseptic qualities kill the germ and the congested condition is relieved. Croup, whooping cough and chronic bronchial affections quickly relieved. At all Druggists, 25 cents.

One lot of cigars, cigarettes, opals and drawnwork seized for violation of the United States Revenue Laws, will be sold at the Custom House, Tuesday, December 12, 1916, at 10:00 a. m. ED. COTULLA, Special Dep. Coll. Laredo, Texas, Nov. 27, 1916.

Wheezing in the lungs indicates that phlegm is obstructing the air passages. BALLARD'S FOREHAND SYRUP loosens the phlegm so that it can be coughed up and ejected. Price 25c, 50c and \$1.00 per bottle. Sold by all druggists. x

CRIMINAL DOCKET CALLED IN DISTRICT COURT TODAY

THERE ARE A TOTAL OF THIRTY-EIGHT CASES ON DOCKET.

Three Charges Murder, One Highway Robbery and Others Range From Burglary to Carrying Arms.

The criminal docket was taken up in the district court this morning and there are thirty-eight criminal cases to be tried before the docket will be exhausted. Of these four were left over from last term of court, one a case charging highway robbery of an automobile and the other three charging murder. A number of the cases have been set for trial, while the others will be given a specified date later by the district attorney.

This morning the petit jury which will serve for the week was duly empanelled with the following gentlemen as members: Joseph C. Netzer, G. M. Campbell, Joe Vidales, Ike Hirsch, F. Sanchez Garza, Andrew Ritter, Henry Borchers, C. A. Swedberg, P. P. Leyendecker, Jr., C. C. Shiner, Eduardo Sanchez, A. Saft, Thomas Guernsey, R. P. Woodard, J. J. Czar, Fred Alexander, J. F. Dabbs, J. M. Daniel, John T. Rosetti, A. R. Garcia, Inez Garcia Ramon, E. R. Tarver and O. C. Ulmer.

The first case called this morning upon empanelling and selecting the jury to try it, was that against Miguel Retana Contreras, charging the defendant with bigamy. The case went to the jury this forenoon and within a short time thereafter they returned a verdict of "guilty" and assessing the punishment of Contreras at five years in the state penitentiary.

There are quite a number of cases set for trial during the week, and on next Monday special venires will appear in court to set in judgment on Frank Delaney, charged with highway robbery. On Tuesday next the case against Cayetano Cavazos for murder is set; on Wednesday the case against Juan Elias Garza charging murder in Zapata county will be called, and on Thursday, December 14, the case against William Bradford Hamilton charging him with murder committed in this county, is set.

MISSOURI VS. SECOND TEXAS.

National Guard Team from Missouri Will Again Try Their Luck With the Texas Footballists.

Much interest is manifested in the forthcoming game on next Saturday afternoon in this city, when the Missouri National Guard football team will again meet the Second Texas Infantry team from Fort Scurry and endeavor to retrieve their losses which were consequent upon the game they played the Texans recently at Corpus Christi.

The Missourians have strengthened their team considerably, are down to hard work practicing for the contest and expect to make a decidedly stronger showing against the Texas squad. A special train will be run from Corpus Christi over the Texas-Mexican, the train leaving Corpus next Friday noon and arriving here on Friday evening. On this train will come several hundred Texas national guardsmen, including the Laredo company and many civilians. Plans are being arranged to meet the Texas boys with a brass band and march through the city, for Texans are loyal to Texans and it is proposed to give "our boys" a royal welcome to the best and most progressive city of its size in the Lone Star State. And at the game, too, they will have many rooters among Laredo folk, for it will be Texas playing for superiority against Missouri.

Sickly children need WHITE'S CREAM VERMIFUGE. It not only destroys worms, if there be any, but it acts as a strengthening tonic in the stomach and bowels. Price 25c per bottle. Sold by all druggists. x

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You'll know why thousands use Musterole once you experience the glad relief it gives.

Get a jar at once from the nearest drug store. It is a clean, white ointment, made with the oil of mustard. Better than a mustard plaster and does not blister. Brings ease and comfort while it is being rubbed on!

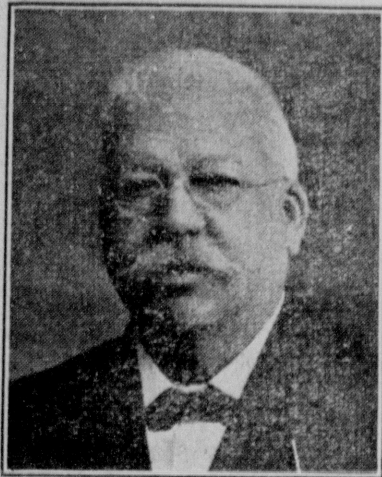
Musterole is recommended by many doctors and nurses. Millions of jars are used annually for bronchitis, croup, stiff neck, asthma, neuralgia, pleurisy, rheumatism, lumbago, pains and aches of the back or joints, sprains, sore muscles, bruises, chilblains, frosted feet, colds of the chest (it often prevents pneumonia).



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LAREDO'S SUCCESSFUL CITIZENS



ARNULFO GUEVARA.

Arnulfo Guevara was born at Candela, State of Coahuila, Mexico, September 10, 1857, where he resided for many years, securing his preliminary education under special tutors. Later, Mr. Guevara removed to Monterrey where he finished his education and embarked in several businesses, having had experience in the banking, ranching and mining lines. For 20 years Mr. Guevara was prominently identified with the growth of Monterrey and was rated one of Mexico's prominent citizens.

Being a peace-loving, law-abiding man, Mr. Guevara did not identify himself with any of the various factions which have been operating during the recent years of revolution in Mexico and therefore decided to emigrate to the United States to make this country his temporary, at least, residence.

Mr. Guevara came to the border early in December of 1913 and almost immediately established a money exchange business in this city, operating under the name of Guevara Brothers. Possessing ample capital to take care of any operation, large or small; always guaranteeing any deals made, thus protecting the public against false foreign money, Mr. Guevara has worked up a business in this city which places him in the vanguard of those engaged in his line and has gained for his firm a clientele which includes mostly friends and admirers of his genial, honest character.

They Are Here.

The Charles and Gertrude Harrison Tent Theater company consisting of thirty people and two cars of paraphernalia arrived today and they will start to erect their large tent bright and early in the morning, which is 100x220 feet, seating 2,700 people. The tent will be floored and seats elevated through the center, so that anyone can see from any part of the tent. It is without a doubt the most complete and best equipped theatre under canvas in the world. It will be located on the Texas Mexican Ry. lot and everything will be in readiness for the opening Thursday night.

100 YEARS OF COLLEGE AID.

Boston, Mass., Dec. 2.—Congregational churches throughout the country have prepared for a suitable observance tomorrow of the one hundredth anniversary of the organization of the Congregational Education Society. During the century of its existence the society has disbursed over \$6,500,000 in maintaining and aiding schools, academies, colleges, training schools, and in religious work among State universities. Forty-two colleges, in twenty-one States, from Massachusetts to Washington and from California to Georgia, have had their inspiration from the Congregational body. The society has aided young men to the number of over 10,000 in getting their education for the Christian ministry.

Stomach Trouble and Constipation.

Those who are afflicted with stomach trouble and constipation should read the following: "I have never found anything so good for stomach trouble and constipation as Chamberlain's Tablets. I have used them off and on now for the past two years. They not only regulate the action of the bowels but stimulate the liver and keep one's body in a healthy condition," writes Mrs. Benjamin Hooper, Auburn, N. Y.



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SOCIETY

Mrs. Violet S. Oberfeld
Editor Phone 70

SOCIAL CALENDAR.

Monday.
The Nullo Club will be entertained by Mrs. J. S. Penn at three o'clock in the afternoon.
Mrs. Chas. Laue will compliment her daughter, Miss Anita, with a party in honor of her birthday at four o'clock in the afternoon.
The Heights Civic Club will meet with Mrs. W. H. Mims at four o'clock in the afternoon.

Tuesday.
Mrs. H. Stow Garlick will entertain the Tuesday Bridge Club at three o'clock in the afternoon.
Mrs. J. A. Thompson will entertain the Women's Missionary Society of the Methodist Church from three until five o'clock in the afternoon.
Christ Church Junior Auxiliary will hold their regular weekly meeting at the Rectory with Mrs. Cook at four o'clock in the afternoon.

Church sale of fancy articles by the Ladies Aid of the Presbyterian church at Stowers store, beginning at half after ten o'clock in the morning.
Regular meeting of Miriam Chapter No. 86 O. E. S. Masonic Hall at eight o'clock in the evening.

Ladies Night at the Ninth Infantry Club.

The Radiant Habit.

Get out of the habit of being dead,
Get into the habit of glowing
With life and vigor wherever you tread,
And tread as the world is going.

Good-bye to you morbid and hollow
Guys
That are sure there is nothing
Right,
And fancy the skies would be better
If we'd let them make the light.

Get out of the habit of thinking men
Are waiting till you say go.
The world will turn over again and again
Without asking you what you know.

—Baltimore Sun.

General Mention.

Mrs. A. C. Hamilton left this morning for Corpus Christi to bring back her little nephews, Willis and Hal, who accompanied Mrs. Hal W. Greer on a visit to Beaumont and in Louisiana. Mrs. Greer remains in Corpus Christi for the state convention of the United Daughters of the Confederacy.

Miss Clara Hall returned to Bruni-ville after a several days' visit to relatives.

Miss Anita Yeager returned to Santo Tomas today after spending the holiday in the city.

Miss Helen MacGregor returned to the Mines today after a short visit to relatives.

Miss Hazel Merriman returned to Dolores today after spending the holiday in the city.

Mother Anthony and Mother Clare returned to Laredo on Saturday after a two months' stay in the East.

Messrs. A. Martin, Julio Rodriguez, Chas. Galbraith, S. M. Barlow, Robt. Muller, Seymour Denike, Ambrosio Rodriguez and Capt. Sirmyer and Rumbold left yesterday for the Martin ranch for a hunting trip.

Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Sames motored home Saturday from San Antonio. They spent Thanksgiving in Austin and attended the football game while there.

Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Austin and Miss Eva Austin returned home on Saturday morning from Austin, where they spent Thanksgiving.

Mr. and Mrs. Robt. Sadler left today for New Orleans for a ten days' visit to relatives. They went via the Texas-Mexican Railway.

Miss Beatrice Willson of Kansas City, after spending a month in Laredo, has returned home.

Mr. Davis McGown has returned from San Antonio, where he spent Thanksgiving with relatives.

Dinner.

Captain and Mrs. Sirmyer entertained on Saturday evening with a prettily appointed dinner at their quarters at Fort McIntosh, when they complimented a number of their friends. The table was adorned in crimson roses and white chrysanthemums placed on an exquisite chignon centerpiece, hand-tinted in autumn

colors, surrounded by red-shaded tapers in crystal candlesticks. Attractive rose nut cases were placed at each place and monogrammed place cards bore the names of the following: Captain and Mrs. Ryan, Captain and Mrs. Warren, Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Hamilton, Dr. and Mrs. John T. Halsell, the host and hostess. A six-course dinner was served.

Entertainments.

The Married Ladies' Social Club and a number of guests were beautifully entertained on Saturday afternoon by Mrs. C. M. Fish, assisted by her sister, Miss Maud McKnight. Scarlet roses, white chrysanthemums, and ferns were used in the decorations. The score cards bore Thanksgiving greetings. After the series of games were played, Mrs. Wager scored high and won a handsome crocheted centerpiece. The guest prize, a beautifully embroidered dresser scarf, fell to Mrs. Joe Vidales. Low score consolation prize was awarded Mrs. Aldridge. A two-course luncheon was served at the conclusion of the games. Club members present were: Mesdames Austin, Aldridge, Barlow, Biggio, Brewster, Cogley, Davis, Garlick, Halsell, Huberich, Lowry, MacDonald, MacGregor, Reed, Weber, Wager, Young and Youngkin. Guests: Mesdames Brennan, Vidales, Cluck, Johnston, DaCamara, Mally, Buenz and Miss Eva Austin.

Mrs. A. R. Vidaurri was hostess to a beautiful children's party on Saturday afternoon in honor of her little daughter Charlotte's ninth birthday. The afternoon was devoted to playing a number of games and the breaking of a piñata, after which ices and cakes were served. The cutting of the birthday cake, decorated with nine gleaming tapers, proved one of the most pleasant features of the afternoon's entertainment. Kathleen Heaner cut the ring, and Esther Penn the thimble. Those present were: Kathleen Heaner, Dorothy Wilson, Rosita and Elizabeth Applewhite, Rosita and Margaret Barlow, Josephine Leyendecker, Esther and Alice Penn, Corinne Hamilton, Irene Vidaurri, Carlota Warwick, Irene Sanchez, Pearl and Ruby Colman, Gladys Sauvignot, Evelyn Randolph, Doris Wilson, Woodrow Applewhite, Tom and Anthony Leyendecker, William and James Burr, Joe Martin, Justo Penn Jr., Sammy Woods, Holcomb Austin, Robert Warwick, Master Randolph.

The Busy Bees were most pleasantly entertained by Miss Minerva G'Sell on Saturday afternoon. After enjoying a number of games, the hostess served a delicious two-course luncheon. Those present were: Hattie May Mussett, Dorothy Morton, Lois and Dorothy Derby, Evelyn Ryan, Rosalie Biggio and the hostess.

Miss Vera Lang was hostess to the Entre Nous Club on Saturday afternoon and entertained the most delightfully. A dainty refreshment course was served, after which a motor ride was enjoyed. The personnel included Misses Vera Sharkey, Hazel Patrick, Maud Mussett, Ruth Simpson, Frances Woodul, Grace and Vera Lang.

The Thursday Sewing Club complimented Mrs. Leon Daiches with a pleasant surprise party on Saturday afternoon, in honor of her birthday. The amusement of the afternoon was a series of games of Lotto, which resulted in Mrs. Alphonse Wormser scoring high, and Mrs. Fred Werner low. A delightful refreshment course followed the game. Those present were: Mesdames E. Wormser, A. Wormser, Fred Werner, Offer, Dear, Chas. Richter, Yenser, Schmidt, Mackin, Chas. Moser, Joseph, Hewitt, Goodman, and Daiches.

Young People's Union.

The second devotional service of the Young People's Union of the Protestant churches of the city was conducted by the B. Y. P. U. with their president, Miss Burr, as leader. The Baptist church, where the young people and a great many outside of the four societies assembled at 8 o'clock for the Thanksgiving services, was lavishly decorated with vines and cut flowers. Before the appointed hour for the services the main auditorium was filled to overflowing.

The congregation joined heartily in singing "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name." Rev. Whartor read the Hundredth Psalm and Mr. McClanahan led in prayer. A union chorus sang the chorus, "Praise the Lord," and following this the leader gave an interesting account of the origin of Thanksgiving Day. The advantages of observing Thanksgiving Day, to the individual, to the home, to the nation and the danger of losing the proper observance of this day through introduction of amusements and sports, were subjects discussed by Chas. Smith, Messrs. Calhoun, Shaw and Roberts, representing the four societies composing the union.

After the anthem, "Make a Joyful Noise," sung by a double mixed quartette, the leader conducted an open meeting for the entire congregation, in which grounds for Thanksgiving which are given in the Bible, to whom ought we to give thanks, and ways of expressing thanksgiving were the topics discussed very helpfully by a large number of those present. So many causes for thanksgiving, both old and new, were enumerated, ranging from the statement by one who has been "down the river" for a few weeks that "he is thankful to be back in civilization again," on up to the serious subjects of national peace and prosperity, Christian homes and parents, personal knowledge of Christ, and the growing fellowship in Laredo among those who name His Name.

As an offertory a flute solo by Mr. J. N. Laird expressed the devotional spirit of the hour, and the practical expression of thanksgiving which amounted to \$15.63 is to be applied to Associated Charity funds. The ringing volume of song as the

PERSONALS

J. B. Hazelrigg of San Antonio is in the city.

D. D. Davis, Jr. of Dolores is a guest at the Ross.

G. P. Brown, a prominent lawyer and citizen of Mission arrived in the city yesterday on a short business visit.

Jose R. Bustamante, a prominent merchant of Bustamante, Zapata county, is a visitor in the city.

Collector of Customs Frank Rabb arrived in Laredo yesterday on one of his regular visits to the Laredo office and will be here for a day or two on business in connection with the customs department.

BENDER:—J. C. Schwarz, New Orleans, La.; M. Castillon, Tino Valencia, Torreon; Mena Uribe, Monterrey; G. R. Kenclay, Mexico City; William H. Cook, Plainview; E. T. Craig, San Antonio; Mrs. W. P. Allen, Austin; E. H. Hoyos, New York; Stanley Copeland, San Antonio; C. C. Courtney, Houston; N. E. Cole, San Antonio; V. C. Thull, St. Louis, Mo.; C. M. Hickey, Detroit, Mich.; W. E. Sutton, San Antonio; L. Barrett, New York; M. F. Cate, Terrell; C. L. Pate, Austin.

Chamberlain's Tablets.

Chamberlain's Tablets are intended especially for stomach troubles, biliousness and constipation, and have met with much success in the treatment of those diseases. People who have suffered for years with stomach trouble and have been unable to obtain any permanent relief, have been completely cured by the use of these tablets. Chamberlain's Tablets are also of great value for biliousness. Chronic constipation may be permanently cured by taking Chamberlain's Tablets and observing the plain printed directions with each bottle.

Heartburn is a symptom of indigestion. Take a dose of HERBINE in such cases. The pain disappears instantly. The bowels operate speedily and you feel fine, vigorous and cheerful. Price 50c. Sold by all druggists.

MINNESOTA SUFFRAGISTS PLAN FIGHT.

Minneapolis, Minn., Dec. 4.—The annual meeting of the Minnesota woman Suffrage Association, which began today session in this city today, is expected to decide the legislative program which the suffragists will support before the session of the legislature beginning next month. The program prepared by the officials is somewhat similar to the law obtained by the suffragists of Illinois. The attempt will be made to obtain the passage of a statute giving women the right to vote for presidential electors.

Notice to Hunters.

Our pastures have just been stocked with new cattle and we positively cannot allow any hunting in them this season. Persons found in any of our pastures will be classed as trespassers and prosecuted in accordance with law.

I. C. JENNINGS & SONS.

11-6-ft.

Notice.

Hunting or fishing without my written permission is strictly prohibited in any and all pastures owned or controlled by me. Any person who violates this is a trespasser and will be prosecuted to the full extent of the law.

T. A. COLEMAN.

10-26-ft.

Notice to Hunters.

I have just stocked my pasture with new cattle and on this account I positively will not permit any hunting on my land. Persons caught in my pastures will be prosecuted to the fullest extent of the law; this I hate to do, but am compelled this season.

J. D. JENNINGS.

10-30-ft.

Sloan's Liniment Eases Pain.

Sloan's Liniment is first thought of mothers for bumps, bruises and sprains that are continually happening to children. It quickly penetrates and soothes without rubbing. Cleaner and more effective than mussy plasters or ointments. For rheumatic aches, neuralgia pain and that grippy soreness after colds, Sloan's Liniment gives prompt relief. Have a bottle handy for bruises, strains, sprains and all external pain. For the thousands whose work calls them outdoors, the pains and aches following exposure are relieved by Sloan's Liniment. All Druggists, 25c.

congregation sang "America," and the closing prayer by Major Reager were followed by an old-fashioned hand-shake, and the Young People's Union shakes anew the meaning of "United We Stand."

CONGRESS OPENED FOR SHORT SESSION

SPEAKER CLARK CLAIMED THE HOUSE FOR DEMOCRATS AND PROMISED DESIRED WORK.

By Associated Press.

Washington, Dec. 4.—Congress today opened the short session which will close President Wilson's first term. The legislative program is crowded, the most important matter being the president's railroad legislation. Democratic leaders have promised to hasten desired enactments. Speaker Clark claimed the house for the Democrats.

OSBORNE'S DOUBLE.

Man Who Admits Deceiving Rags Tanzer Now in Hands of Chicago Police.

By Associated Press.

Chicago, Dec. 4.—Charles H. Wax, the man who the police say has admitted that he is the man who escaped with Miss Rae Tanzer, a New York milliner, which led to her suing James W. Osborne, former New York district attorney, for \$250,000, today said he would waive extradition and clear Osborne because of his resemblance to the man who promised, she claims, to marry her, and who is thought to be Wax. The police say that Wax has swindled during his career more than 200 young women.

MARINES WOUNDED IN SANTO DOMINGO

FIGHT ENSUED WHEN MARINES BEGAN DISARMING NATIVES AT MACORIS, SANTO DOMINGO.

By Associated Press.

Washington, Dec. 4.—Numbers were wounded on both sides in a fight between American marines and natives at Macoris, Santo Domingo, Nov. 29, according to a report today from Capt. Knapp, commanding. The Americans were disarming the natives.

THRIVE ON 40c. A DAY.

By Associated Press. Chicago, Dec. 4.—Chicago's health department dietitians today used oleomargarine instead of butter. The diet ends tomorrow and the records are expected to show that the persons participating thrived on less than 40c a day.

CONGRESS OPENS FOR SHORT TERM.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 4.—The expiring Sixty-fourth Congress assembled today for its final work of legislation. Simultaneously, at the stroke of 12, the ivory mallet of the Speaker and the ivory block of the Vice-President called the two houses to order. The flag of the United States ran up over each wing of the Capitol and in both chambers the chaplains offered prayer.

The impelling curiosity to see how men, several of them long in the public eye as statesmen of commanding influence, would bear up under the crumbling of their political fortunes drew to the Capitol at an early hour a crowd of unusual proportions. The galleries of both houses were completely filled—chiefly with women—except that in the diplomatic gallery, as usual, there was only a sprinkling of spectators.

The appearance of Speaker Clark was the signal for a demonstration of enthusiasm, and there was also an outburst of applause from the Republican side when Minority Leader Mann took his seat. In the senate the usual decorum was observed, though on the floor many gentle thrusts at defeated members kept the elder statesmen smiling.

Aside from the call of the rolls, the only official business of the day was the appointment of a joint committee to wait on the President, the informing of each house by the other that it was ready to do business, and the adoption of resolutions of respect to the memory of the members who died in the recess.

Stop That Cough.

A hacking cough weakens the whole system, drains your energy and gets worse if neglected; your throat is raw, your chest aches and you feel sore all over. Relieve that cold at once with Dr. King's New Discovery. The soothing pine balsams heal the irritated membranes, and the antiseptic and laxative quantities kill the germs and break up your cold. Don't let a cold linger. Get Dr. King's New Discovery today at your Druggist. 50 cents.

REVOLT IN ANTWERP CAUSED KILLINGS

BELGIANS AND GERMAN SOLDIERS DEAD AS RESULT OF THE ORDER FOR DEPORTATION.

By Associated Press.

London, Dec. 4.—The Amsterdam Despatch says that two Belgians arriving at Stuiskill, Holland, reported a revolt in Antwerp Nov. 30 in which more than 200 inhabitants and many German soldiers were killed because the Belgians were called for work in Germany.

Rumanian Situation Critical.

London, Dec. 4.—The Rumanian situation does not appear less critical despite the stiffening resistance and the reported successes of the Russo-Rumanian offensive southwest of Bucharest. The German attacks converge from three sides with undiminished force.

Serbians Renewed Attack.

London, Dec. 4.—The Serbians have renewed their successful attack in Macedonia and in desperate battles have driven the Bulgarian toward Travania.

Approved Reconstruction.

London, Dec. 4.—Premier Asquith announced this afternoon in the house of commons that King George had approved the government reconstruction plan. He did not deny that he held the resignation of all the ministers.

To Solve Greek Question.

London, Dec. 4.—Lord Cecil, war trade minister, today promised the house of commons that radical steps will be taken to solve the Greek question, asserting that the British government believed that King Constantine was involved in the Athens events.

FATE IN JURY'S HANDS.

By Associated Press.

St. Joseph, Mo., Dec. 4.—Oscar McDonald, public prosecutor, charged with wife murder, sat in court with his three children today while the attorneys argued his case. The jury got the case by night.

HAVE NO INHERENT POWER.

By Associated Press.

Washington, Dec. 4.—The supreme court held today that federal judges do not possess the inherent power to suspend indefinitely criminal sentences imposed in their respective courts.

TO PROVE ALLEGED ELECTION FRAUDS.

Cincinnati, O., Dec. 4.—A special session of the Federal grand jury convened in this city to investigate election frauds alleged to have been committed on and previous to last Election Day.

INTERNATIONAL SHOOT AT ST. THOMAS.

St. Thomas, Ont., Dec. 4.—Amateur and professional trap shooters, including many of the most noted experts of Canada and the United States, faced the traps at the St. Thomas Gun club today for the opening of the Grand International Handicap tournament. The tournament will continue through the week and from all indications will be one of the most notable of the year. Two thousand dollars in cash prizes and numerous handsome trophies will be distributed among the winners.

DEFENSE COUNCIL ORGANIZES.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 4.—The Council of National Defense, created by the national defense act, met at the War Department today to perfect its organization and to map out definite plans of procedure. The council proper is composed of the Secretaries of War, Navy, Interior, Agriculture, Commerce and Labor. In addition there is a civilian advisory commission composed of Julius Rosenwald of Chicago, Howard E. Coffin of Detroit, Dr. Franklin H. Martin of Chicago, Dr. Hollis Godfrey of Chicago, Bernard Baruch of New York, Daniel Willard, president of the Baltimore and Ohio railroad, and Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor. Coordination of all activities in the country to play their part in war time is the object of the council.

Lame back may come from over work, cold settled in the muscles of the back, or from disease. In the two former cases the right remedy is BALLAD'S SNOW LINIMENT. It should be rubbed in thoroughly over the affected part, the relief will be prompt and satisfactory. Price 25c, 50c and \$1.00 per bottle. Sold by all druggists.

TIMES WANT ADS.

\$\$\$ Money Makers \$\$\$

FOOD EMBARGO NOW CALLS ATTENTION

FITZGERALD OF NEW YORK WANTS TO LOWER COST OF FOOD TO AMERICAN CITIZENS.

By Associated Press.

Washington, Dec. 4.—Four bills to lower the high cost of food were introduced in the house today by Representative Fitzgerald of New York. Two proposed a food embargo, one would regulate the transportation of cold storage foods and another would regulate the admission of farm products and manufactured foodstuffs to the parcel post and the rate on food.

VILLA EVACUATED CITY.

Report of General Bell Says Bandit is Carrying Much Loot.

By Associated Press.

El Paso, Texas, Dec. 4.—General Bell today reported to Gen. Funston that the Villistas have evacuated Chihuahua City, moving to the west with much loot.

Carrancistas Claim Victory.

Juarez, Mexi., Dec. 4.—It is officially announced that the Carrancistas re-entered Chihuahua City last night, driving the Villistas out.

SUSTAINED SUGAR RATE.

By Associated Press.

Washington, Dec. 4.—The interstate commerce commission today sustained the rate of 85c per 100 pounds on beet and cane sugar from California to Texas points.

WANT EXPEDITION OF RAILROAD CASE

ALL RAILROADS CONCURRED IN MOTION ASKING SUPREME COURT TO HURRY DECISION.

By Associated Press.

Washington, Dec. 4.—With all the railroads concurring, the solicitor general of the department of justice today filed a motion asking the supreme court to expedite the hearing of the Missouri, Oklahoma and Gulf case to determine the constitutionality of the Adamson act.

THOUSANDS RECEIVE WAGE INCREASE.

Poston, Mass., Dec. 4.—Tens of thousands of operatives employed in the textile mills of New England began work under a new wage schedule today, which will average a 10 per cent increase. The advance applies to all the 35,000 workers in the New Bedford district, together with thousands of others in the mills at Lawrence and other points in northern New England. In most cases the increase is the third within the calendar year. Simultaneous with the wage increase in the cotton mills has come a similar raise in the wages of the 35,000 workers employed in the mills of the American Woolen Company in New England and New York State.

ALLEGED MOONSHINERS FACE TRIAL.

Greensboro, N. C., Dec. 4.—Members of the notorious Smith family of alleged "moonshiners" of Patrick county, Virginia, were arraigned for trial today in the United States district court for the Western district of North Carolina. The defendants were captured on August 24 last after a running battle through the mountains in which one of the revenue agents was seriously wounded.

SPORTING NOTES.

Sparrow Robertson, the noted starter and track builder, has been engaged to build a new quarter-mile track for the Bates College athletes. Capt. Warner of Williams College has sent out a call to all swimming candidates and hopes to start practice for the divers and plungers immediately.

Yale's basketball five has scheduled games with athletic clubs in Chicago, Buffalo, Cleveland and Pittsburgh, to played during a Christmas holiday tour.

FLORIDA LAND CASES TO TRIAL

Chicago, Ill., Dec. 4.—The case of the Florida Everglades Land Company the officials of which are charged with using the mails to defraud in the sale of thousands of acres of Florida land, is to be taken up for trial in the Federal court here this week. The defendants in the case, Wm. A. Otis and William F. Greenwood of Colorado, Percy Hagerman of Chicago and Harold J. Bryant of Lake Forest, Ill.

From Tuesday's Daily.

A MEDIEVAL MIND.

It is evident that, despite the claim of German freedom, the feudal system still finds its supporters in that country, and that the ancient right of enslaving people who may be captives in war is still claimed by the German government and its supporters.

It is interesting to learn that the ancient system of feudalism originated in Germany among the tribes who at first offered such a successful resistance to the Roman invasion, and that far antedating the slave system of ancient Rome was that of ancient Germany, although we read much twaddle concerning the freeborn German and his innate hatred of slavery.

In fact, only a certain percentage of the ancient Germans were freeborn. The nobles, who formed but a small part of the population, and the churls, or common people, were born free. But the theows, who did the greatest part of the labor, and who formed the greatest part of the population, were hereditary slaves—or serfs as the Russians called them in copying the system from Germany. In addition to those born serfs, the men taken captive in war, although in many cases of equal or higher rank than their captors, became serfs.

Each noble was entitled to the service of the churls, as well as of the serfs, who lived on his land. In fact, the so-called "freemen" were but little better off than the serfs, save that they could perform their ordinary daily labor without direction from their "master," while the serf was even permitted to be sold from one estate to another.

It is interesting to note the continuation of this ancient survival of medieval customs in the present enslavement of the Belgians. Having "conquered" the country, the Germans are taking the most desirable of the male workers and the most attractive of the female to Germany, where they are in no better case than the serfs of Russia, over whose lamentable condition countless Germans have mourned, and for whose enfranchisement so many enlightened people over all the world worked with final success.

There are many relics of medievalism still remaining in Germany. One is the idea that the kaiser is the "overlord," the anointed of God who can do wrong, and that in his hands rest the destinies of his (?) people. Another is that because some baron in ancient times made a success of the "hog-suck" business his descendants are still entitled to carry on the gentle craft, albeit with certain modifications due to changes in the criminal code.

The "noble" military commanders are but another phase of the feudal lord who commanded by right of descent. They are all subjects to the will of the emperor, and he is answerable to no one—that is, on earth. The common people—the "churls"—still bow to the will of the master, and acknowledge his right to command them, to take all they have, to settle all their daily affairs and to support and maintain them in return for feudal service rendered.

No one outside of Germany cares whether the people of that country still cling to feudalism or not, but when the German armies begin to send the civilian population of a conquered country to their own land to perform the labors rendered necessary by the absence of the greater part of their males, and that without any compensation other than that given slaves in all ages, it devolves upon all civilized people to enter a sharp protest.

There is not a civilized nation on the face of the globe today that would so enslave a whole people. Turkey, although under conventions with other countries to abolish slavery, is still the exponent of the slave idea, but no one considers Turkey civilized. It may be that the Turkish influence has caused this outrage of all human sentiment, but until Germany restores the civilian Belgians to their homes and indemnifies them for the suffering they have undergone in being thus forcibly exiled, Germany cannot call herself civilized.

Truly it is a medieval mind that is possessed by the German government of today. "Vae victis" was considered a worthy motto in the time of Tiberius, but no Christian people can afford to inscribe it on its banner.

A GALLANT FIGHT.

While the European war is raging and the attention of the world is called to the bravery of the men in the trenches, it is just as well to remember that there are several hundreds of thousands who are making an equally gallant, though almost hopeless fight, against an enemy who never relaxes his vigilance, one who uses every possible weapon and who takes every mean advantage.

Behind this fight for life there is no great war chest. There are few allies, and sometimes for lack of munition the fight goes against the

brave defenders. Yet the morale is excellent, and though now and then a despairing fighter drops out of the ranks, the flag never comes down and some day the victory will rest with those who never gave up.

Thousands of people die annually in our broad country of tuberculosis. The insidious attacks of the disease are varied and the weapons used are almost numberless. But the main advantage of the enemy lies in poverty and uncleanness. That and the indifference of the ones who have not yet been confronted with the actual menace cause most of the losses.

It has been discovered that the only hope of winning in this unequal fight, where neglected Nature has no chance of victory single-handed, is to properly nourish the victims, give them work out their own salvation by daily exercise and the observance of the simplest rules of health.

But money is necessary for this sort of a campaign, and it becomes the duty of everyone to contribute, even though but a few pennies. Just think that if each person in the United States were to contribute ten cents annually the amount would be sufficient to care for many hundreds of patients who are afflicted with this greatest of all human plagues.

It does not matter that doctors in past ages considered consumption incurable. It does not matter that even now there are those who still believe that it is hereditary. The one thing for all to remember is that science has demonstrated its curability, and that a disease that is curable may eventually be eradicated. And it is our duty to future generations to aid in its eradication.

There was a time, not so many years ago, that almost every person who had to undergo an amputation died. Abdominal operations used to be fatal, those who recovered being looked upon as being cured by a miracle. And there are many other things possible in the surgery of today that were considered as absolutely impossible a few years ago.

The fact that proper nourishment, fresh air, exposure to sunshine as often as possible, proper exercise and cheerfulness can cure almost any case of tuberculosis that has not reached an advanced stage should be hammered into the consciousness of all. For every person who dies of tuberculosis nowadays may properly blame someone else for his death.

With the object of securing money from those who cannot afford to give much but are willing to give what they can, the Red Cross Christmas Seals have been devised. Each seal which is sold for one cent adds practically that much to the fund with which to fight mankind's worst enemy—tuberculosis. For the administration of the Red Cross Seal campaign is such that there is no expense attached to it, and the people working in the campaign give their services freely in order that every cent may be added to the profit column.

Red Cross Seals are now on sale all over Laredo, and there are few so poor that they cannot afford to purchase a few. Each little seal that goes out attached to a letter or any other package bears a message of hope to the people who are fighting a desperate fight. It shows that the sender has enlisted on the side of humanity against destruction, and that so long as the people have anything left there will be some small percentage of the money used to help the unfortunates who are battling for life.

Buy your Christmas Seals early. Each letter received with a Christmas Seal attached is an object lesson to the receiver. And each penny given to this cause means a penny spent for righteousness.

Chicago food dieters used oleomargarine instead of butter to cut down the cost of the daily ration. That might do in Chicago where they make it, but down here even oleo is prohibitive in cost. We presume when the embargo is put on, the Chicago people will box it and sell it for axle grease.

Representative Fitzgerald of New York has introduced four bills in the National house to lower the high cost of food. Two of them contemplate an embargo on exportation, which seems to make the others superfluous. If we kept all our food at home it would spoil before the people would pay such prices for it.

The Chicago police believe they have arrested the man who impersonated former District Attorney Osborne in his courtship of the New York milliner, Rae Tanzer. He is charged with having swindled more than two hundred girls during his career. Which beats Bluebeard's record by a few.

For Neat and Accurate Job Work

FOUR NATIONAL GUARDSMEN BEING TRIED FOR BURGLARY CHARGED WITH ROBBERING LAREDO MUSIC & JEWELRY CO.

Three of the Men Plead Guilty, While the Other Claims He Had No Connection With the Burglary.

Following their indictment by the grand jury on a charge of burglary, four members of the First New Hampshire Infantry, Privates Charles Brown, Charles Booth, Albert Finson and Richard Mason, were this morning arraigned in district court to stand trial on the serious charges preferred against them, and to which three of the men plead guilty, while the fourth claims he is innocent of any connection with the burglary.

On the night of October 2 last the establishment of the Laredo Music & Jewelry Co. was entered and burglarized and articles to the value of several hundred dollars were taken. The police, after being advised by Night Watchman Charles Tannenbaum of what had occurred, immediately instituted a search. The burglars were slow in making their get-away and were traced to the Wilcox building about 100 feet from where the burglary was committed and one man was found in the hall there on the second floor. Then three others were arrested. All the stolen goods were recovered and three of the men confessed their guilt, while another said he was innocent of any connection with the deed.

The district court grand jury at their recent session thoroughly investigated the matter, ferreted out the evidence adduced and returned a bill of indictment jointly charging the four men with the burglarizing of the establishment of the Laredo Music & Jewelry Co. This morning their case was called for trial.

Up to the noon hour the taking of testimony had consumed the time of the trial and the case will not be completed and given to the jury until some time this afternoon.

How to Prevent Croup.

In a child that is subject to attacks of croup, the first indication of the disease is hoarseness. Give Chamberlain's Cough Remedy as soon as the child becomes hoarse and the attack may be ward off and all danger and anxiety.

CONDITIONS MOST FAVORABLE.

Onion Growers in the Laredo Section Are Well Pleased With Conditions As Now Prevailing.

With the present favorable weather conditions prevailing for the attaining of a good stand by the tender young Bermuda onion plants which were recently transplanted from the seedbeds to the open field, Laredo onion growers see prospects of most auspicious conditions for their crops during the time that the rigors of winter might be at their worst.

So far there have been very few pests to molest the crops, as most of the growers safeguarded the plants by dipping them in a solution which cleared them of lice and other insects which got on them while they were growing in the seedbeds. With favorable conditions prevailing throughout the winter season, however, the onion growers expect to make a banner crop of onions early next summer and obtain a profitable and good price for their products.

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Two United States Regular Soldiers
Charged With Robbing New Hampshire Militiaman, Get 7 Years.

In the district court yesterday "an important personage," as the saying goes, was convicted and given five years in the penitentiary, when Miguel Retana Contreras was found guilty of bigamy. Contreras has told the officers that he was a first cousin of Doroteo Arango, more familiarly known in the criminal annals as "Pancho Villa," the bandit leader and genuine outlaw of that country. Contreras says he is an ex-soldier of Mexico and a refugee to this country, that his vocation is that of expert artilleryman and was an artillery officer in Villa's army. He had a wife in Mexico, whom he brought to San Antonio, Texas, and left there, then came to Laredo and married a girl who was clerking in a store in this city. With two wives on his hands, Contreras found himself in a bad predicament when he faced the charge preferred against him by the grand jury at the present term of the district court.

Yesterday evening the case against Thomas Ruddy and James T. Shipwash, two members of the Ninth Infantry regiment, charged with robbing W. H. Batchelor of the New Hampshire regiment, was tried in district court and the jury brought in a verdict giving each of the men a term of seven years each in the state penitentiary.

Chamberlain's Tablets.

Chamberlain's Tablets are intended especially for stomach troubles, biliousness and constipation, and have met with much success in the treatment of those diseases. People who have suffered for years with stomach trouble and have been unable to obtain any permanent relief, have been completely cured by the use of these tablets. Chamberlain's Tablets are also of great value for biliousness. Chronic constipation may be permanently cured by taking Chamberlain's Tablets and observing the plain printed directions with each bottle.

WILL DECIDE THE PENNANT.

Fourth Missouri Plays New Hampshire Team Thursday and the Ninth Infantry Sunday Afternoon.

The Fourth Missouri baseball team of the Laredo District League will this week be afforded an opportunity to clinch the "pennant," or rather the Bender Hotel trophy cup which goes to the team that demonstrates that it is the champion of the Laredo league.

By winning one of the games the Fourth Missouri will win the cup, unless the Fourteenth Cavalry comes along and wins two games, which would tie them with the Fourth Missouri. But as the Fourth Missouri has three games to its credit yet to be played it can win one and play "safety," or win two and be the unquestioned champions of the league and it will be impossible for any other team to win.

On Thursday afternoon the Missourians will meet the First New Hampshire team and on Sunday afternoon it clashes with the Ninth Infantry team, a dangerous aggregation for pennant aspirants to go up against, but then the Missouri team is some playing team itself or wouldn't occupy the apex position in the Laredo District League at this crucial time.

RUSH CONSTRUCTION WORK

Work on Part of First Floor of Richter Department Store Building is Going Right Ahead.

Work on the Richter One Price Department Store building is progressing fast at this time and the contractors have put down the reinforced concrete pillars which will support the front and back and the second-story floor of the substantial and capacious structure.

At this time work is going on only on the east half of the building, and as soon as that part of the building is completed and ready for occupancy, the One Price Department Store stock will be moved from its present quarters in the newly-completed part. Then the work of building the west half of the big building will be started.

This new store building will be one of the largest and certainly the most substantial of its kind in Southwest Texas, being of reinforced concrete and fireproof throughout.

WILL MEET THEM WITH BANDS

Second Texas Infantry Football Team and Guardsmen From Camp Scurry Will Be Given Reception.

Walter F. Woodul left this morning for Corpus Christi, where he goes to conclude the negotiations for the coming here on a special train on next Friday evening of the Second Texas Infantry football team, which will meet the Missouri National Guard team on Saturday afternoon at Caliche Park. The team from Camp Scurry will be accompanied by several hundred Texas rooters, including guardsmen and civilians.

Arrangements have been made in this city to have two or three of the military bands stationed here meet the Texas boys at the railway station, while the Second Texas Infantry Band will also come on the excursion. The excursionists will be in Laredo all Friday night and during Saturday and leave on their return to Corpus Christi at 11 o'clock Saturday night.

A Household Word.

The Harrison Theater Company has been touring the State of Texas for nine years and the name of "Harrison" has become a household word in almost every family where this organization shows, because when the amusement loving public receives the announcement that the Harrison show is coming they are assured they are going to get a good clean, moral entertainment at prices within the reach of everyone. Season after season Mr. Harrison strives harder to please. These seasons wherever this company has played it is the unanimous verdict that the company is the most evenly balanced, the music is better and the plays are the best ever presented by this organization, and the seating arrangements are so anyone can see or hear from any part of the big tent. The Harrison Tent Theatre Co., stands in the Theatrical World as the Ringling Circus does in the Circus World—the biggest and best on earth.

Notice to Tax Payers.

My office in the City Hall is now open for the collection of City taxes, real and personal for the year 1916. Hours: 9 a. m. to 12 m. and from 2 to 5 p. m.

D. C. de LACHICA,
City Tax Collector.

NOTABLE BIRTHDAYS TODAY.

DECEMBER 5.

Fred. Emerson Brooks, California's poet-humorist, who is now on a transcontinental tour to deliver readings on California, is 66 years old today. Mr. Brooks is well-beloved in his home city of San Francisco, where an enthusiastic testimonial banquet was given him before his departure, and where a "Fred Emerson Brooks Club" was recently organized for the study of his delightful work, to be the forerunner of similar clubs to be formed all over California, and later in all the large cities of the United States. The poet-humorist was born in New York State and educated at Madison (now Colgate) University, but immediately upon his graduation went to California, where he has spent most of his later years, with the exception of a period of residence in New York City. Mr. Brooks is well known throughout the country as a reader of his own verse on the lyceum platform.

New Business Started Today.

The Mexican Products Co. is the style of a new business enterprise launched in Laredo today with Mr. Matias de Llano as its head. They are brokers, but they will make a specialty of handling Mexican products, though will also handle exports on a large scale. Their offices are in the Laredo National Bank building and are now ready for business. Mr. de Llano has been in this kind of business for a number of years and has traveled eight years, both in the United States and Mexico and is thoroughly conversant with the trade and fully qualified to give the business the proper attention. His many friends wish him success in his new undertaking.

And be Admired.

One reason Carranza went from Mexico City to Queretaro on horseback was that he could not stand the trip by train. The trains in that country are equivalent to walking and having no grub along. He could make better time on horseback and have a chance to eat at the ranches en route which could not occur by train.—Eagle Pass Guide.

Watch THE TIMES everyday for opportunities. 50c. per month.

LITTLE LOCALS

—Members of the Laredo Fire Department are urged to attend the regular monthly meeting of the organization at Firemen's Hall tomorrow evening, as business of importance will be transacted. Officers will be elected for the ensuing year, a celebration committee and fire queen contest committee will be named and other business transacted.

—Violets for sale. Telephone 849. 12-6-ft.

—Santa Claus and Charlie Chaplin will be exhibited in one of the show windows of the Central Hardware store at ten o'clock tomorrow morning.

—The special train to bring the Second Texas Infantry football team and several hundred Texas national guardsmen and civilians from Corpus Christi is expected to reach Laredo about 6:30 Friday evening. The excursionists will remain here until late Saturday night and reach Corpus Christi early Sunday morning.

—Taxidermy in all its branches. Animals mounted true to life. Skins tanned and made into rugs. W. R. Muter, phone 774. 12-6-ft.

—The Harrison Tent Theatre begin a several weeks engagement in Laredo tomorrow night. This show has an enviable reputation all over the state as being one of the best tent theatres in the business, and no doubt they will be greeted by crowded houses nightly in Laredo.

—I have three wagons for hauling sand, gravel, etc. Prices moderate. Telephone 272. Jose Maria Mendiola, 1308 Iturbide street. 12-5-12t.

—The reports that are being brought out of Mexico these days by passengers on the incoming trains do not indicate that the dove of peace is hovering very near the disturbed republic, for fear that it might get punctured by some of those many missiles of destruction being fired by the Villistas in executions and raids.

—Doctors Wilson and Stafford, DENTISTS, Office over People's Pharmacy. Phone 746. 10-10-ft.

—Santa Claus and Charlie Chaplin will be exhibited in one of the show windows of the Central Hardware store at ten o'clock tomorrow morning.

—Teacher of English, Spanish and Gregg Shorthand, evening lessons only. Apply Will W. Gregg, Times office. 10-11-ft.

—Only twenty days until Christmas, that glorious day of the year when everybody tries to be happy and should try and make others feel similarly. Many of the soldier boys here are expecting to enjoy a Merry Xmas even if far away from home, and on that glorious morning will all find their stockings full of feet at the least.

—Will W. Gregg, Notary Public, at Times office. 6-6-ft. (Adv.)

—The criminal docket at this term of the district court is quite heavy, but very few of the offenders are Laredo persons. Of the three murder cases and one highway robbery case set for next week, two of those charged with killing fellowmen are from Zapata, another from Jim Hogg county, while the man charged with highway robbery is from New York state.

—Do you desire comfort? Use electric lights and fans. 4-24-ft. (Adv.)

—Santa Claus and Charlie Chaplin

LAREDO'S SUCCESSFUL CITIZENS



EDMUND JULIUS MOSER.

Edmund Julius Moser was born in this city January 1, 1892, and has for the greater part of his life resided here.

"Ed." Moser, as he is more popularly known to his host of friends, received his education in the public schools of Laredo, graduating from the High School with honor, later going to San Antonio where he spent a year in special study at the San Antonio Academy. Returning to his home city, Mr. Moser accepted a position with a local bank. After gaining considerable experience in the banking business, he became identified with his father in the fancy grocery trade and upon the death of the latter succeeded to the business, being associated with his brother.

Edmund Moser has invariably been exceedingly popular with the younger society set, is a member of several prominent fraternal organizations and has always taken a deep interest in athletics, especially baseball.

Mr. Moser is at present in Poughkeepsie, N. Y., where he is taking a special college course in order to better fit himself for the conduct of his business, which, however, he has always managed along successful lines and which enjoys a large patronage, due in no small measure to Mr. Moser's charming personality and ever-present desire to accommodate.

NOTABLE BIRTHDAYS TODAY.

Hon. Charles S. Thomas, United States Senator from Colorado, is 67 years old today. Senator Thomas has been sponsor in the Senate for a resolution calling for a constitutional amendment forbidding any judge to stand for an electoral office, either while he is judge or for two years after he leaves the bench. Senator Thomas is a native of Darien, Ga., who went to Michigan in boyhood and got his law degree at the University of Michigan. He has been practicing law in Denver for many years. He has held the post of Denver city attorney, Governor of Colorado, and from 1884 to 1896 was a member of the National Democratic Committee. He was elected U. S. Senator in 1913 for the unexpired term of Charles J. Hughes, deceased, and re-elected in 1915 for the 1915-21 term.

RAILROAD TIME TABLE.

Texas Mexican.
Leaves for Corpus Christi at 8:20 a. m.
Arrives from Corpus Christi at 3:55 p. m. Standard time.

International & Great Northern.
Through fast train for St. Louis leaves at 12:15 and arrives at 3:05 p. m.

I. & G. N. Night Train.
Leaves at 8 p. m. and arrives at 7:15 a. m.

Rio Grande & Eagle Pass.
Train No. 1 leaves Laredo daily except Sunday at 8 a. m. Arrives at Minera at 10:20 a. m.
Train No. 2 leaves Minera daily except Sunday at 1:15 p. m. Arrives at Laredo at 3:30 p. m.

Notice.

Hunting or fishing without my written permission is strictly prohibited in any and all pastures owned or controlled by me. Any person who violates this is a trespasser and will be prosecuted to the full extent of the law.

T. A. COLEMAN.
10-26-ft.

will be exhibited in one of the show windows of the Central Hardware store at ten o'clock tomorrow morning.

—If it is neat and accurate job printing that you want send your orders to The Times job department. Expert workmanship and the best of materials. 1-9-ft.

—The importations through this port from Mexico yesterday consisted of a lot of small articles which were brought to this side over the international bridge in carts.

—The following marriage license has been issued by the county clerk since last report: Antonio Pedraza and Inez Cerna.

SOCIETY

Mrs. Violet S. Oberfeldt
Editor Phone 70

SOCIAL CALENDAR.

Wednesday.
The Auction Bridge Club will be entertained by Mrs. Leon Daiches at half after three o'clock in the afternoon.
The Parish Guild of Christ Church will hold a business meeting with Mrs. Chas. Cook at the Rectory at four o'clock in the afternoon.
Dancing Class at Elks Hall from four until five o'clock in the afternoon.

Thursday.
The Ladies Aid of the Presbyterian church will hold a called meeting at the church at half after three o'clock in the afternoon.
The Ladies Aid of the Baptist Church will meet with Mrs. Veary and Mrs. Bell at three o'clock in the afternoon.
Miss Alice Denike will be hostess to the Girls Thursday Bridge Club at a quarter to four o'clock in the afternoon.
Mrs. Edgar Sirmeyer will entertain with Bridge at three o'clock in the afternoon.

"Friendship."
Within the storehouse of our hearts we place our friends; And friends are not just those to whom we say
A blank and cheerless "Howdy-de-do?"—whose coldness blends With those who merely pass the time of day.

The consciousness of love doth weld and mold as one
The hearts of those where friendship doth abide;
And joy eternal is the recompense, and none
Their fullest measure e'er shall be denied.

No mortal counterfeit or sham shall e'er deceive;
No seeming sense of doubt shall e'er offend.
But on the perfect loom of life each one shall weave
The warp of brother with the woof of friend.

And from this cloth shall charity for each one make
"The undivided garment"—fit and free;
And man with eye-to-eye so clear shall in the wake
Of honor, friendship, love—find liberty.

—Frank C. Reighter in the Chicago Sunday Herald.

General Mention.
Mrs. J. S. Williams of Matagorda county, who has been the guest of her sister, Mrs. E. Uzzell, has returned to her home.

General Clarke and son, Edward Clarke, have returned from a visit to Kansas City.

Mrs. J. M. Daniels and little daughter expect to leave the latter part of the week for St. Louis on a visit to relatives.

Mrs. Geo. T. Hatley has returned to Galveston after a pleasant visit. She was the house guest of Mrs. Thekla Biskamp while in the city.

Lieutenant Alden Muller arrived yesterday afternoon from Corpus Christi on a visit to his mother, Mrs. Ida Muller.

Mrs. M. P. Cullinan has returned from a short stay in San Antonio.

Mrs. A. C. Hamilton and little nephews arrived yesterday from Corpus Christi.

Mrs. William Earnest of Millett is the house guest of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Earnest.

Dinner to eMicos.

Dr. and Mrs. H. J. Hamilton entertained last evening with a dinner for the doctors of the Public Health Service. A seven-course dinner was served and the decorations were La France roses and other pink flowers. Those present were: Senior Surgeon C. C. Pierce of San Francisco, California; Surgeon Edward Sanchez, of Washington, D. C.; Assistant Surgeon T. C. Gallows, San Francisco; Dr. H. C. Hall of the Texas Quarantine Service; Major and Mrs. Kirby Walker, Fort McIntosh; Miss Corinne Hamilton and the host and hostess.

Club Notes.

The Junior Auxiliary of Christ Church held its regular weekly meeting at the Rectory yesterday afternoon, with Mrs. Cook. After the regular service some time was spent in teaching the children Christmas carols. Those present were: Mary Cook, Anita Laue, Elizabeth and Charline Nye, Dorothy Seamount, Ralph Cook, Payless Gullette, Hunter Randolph, Evans and Jack Younklin.

Church Sale.

The Ladies Aid of the Presbyterian Church held a very successful Church Sale at Stowers store yesterday. There were many beautiful articles offered, which were for the most part disposed of. Those things left will still be for sale with Mrs. L. H. Wharton.

Entertainments.

The Thursday Sewing Club met with Mrs. Dear yesterday afternoon.

and a delightful social afternoon. The home was as decorated in white chrysanthemums and potted plants. There were series of games of dominoes played in which Mrs. Joe Moser scored high, and won a beautiful silver-mounted bud vase. The low score prize fell to Mrs. Louis Joseph, a dainty silver-mounted silver pin tray. The hostess served a delicious refreshment course. The members surprised Mrs. Dear with a number of lovely gifts yesterday, the occasion being her birthday. Those present were: Mesdames Daiches, Chas. Moser, Joe Moser, Chas. Richter, Fred Werner, Offer, F. Wormser, Schmidt, and the hostess.

The Women's Missionary Society of the Methodist Church were charmingly entertained yesterday afternoon at the home of Mrs. J. K. Thompson. The living room was especially attractively arranged for the reception of the guests. Here La France roses were used in the decoration, while in the reception hall, scarlet meteor roses gave a pleasing effect. This was the last meeting of the society until after the New Year and was designated the "Harvest Home." All back dues, and other matters of business were concluded for the year. An extra pledge of \$48.75 was also paid, to be used in the extension work of the Methodist Missionary School. It was also decided to hold the Christmas Bazaar on December 15th. At the conclusion of the business session, the hostess served a delicious refreshment course. Those present were: Mesdames Skinner, J. O. Buezy, Burnett, A. G. Thompson, J. W. Thompson, Oliver, Weinert, W. H. Mims, Misses Smith, MacNeima and Byerly, and the hostess.

One of the most charming of the past week's entertainments was the bridge party, with Mrs. Davis as hostess. This hospitality was given in honor of Mrs. Durfee. The home was decorated in American Beauty roses in cluster bouquets. At the conclusion of the games Mrs. A. C. Hamilton scored high and Mrs. Kinney scored second. The hostess served a tempting refreshment course. Those present were: Mesdames Durfee, Lutz, Bukema, Hunt, Hawley, Warren, A. Gray, Slocum, Fernbaugh, Kinney, Wilson, Lee, Rembold Sirmeyer, Hearne, Loeb, Dunbar, Read, Davidson, Phalen, A. C. Hamilton, H. C. Hale, Humphrey, Wilson, Misses Alice and Olive Gray, and the hostess.

Christmas Party.
The members of the Tuesday Bridge Club and a number of guests were delightfully entertained yesterday afternoon by Mrs. H. Stow Garlick, with a party that made everyone feel that the Christmas season was indeed here. The cheery smile and warm hand clasp of the charming hostess, bright red tapers twinkling and blinking in gleaming brass and silver candlesticks, soft red shaded lights, scarlet poinsettias in brass jardiniere and brown wicker baskets banked with bronze Autumn leaves, made the very air seem to tingle with the Christmas spirit. The dining table was laid with a chignon centerpiece painted in poinsettias and held a miniature turkey strutting among fallen Autumn leaves, while red tapers in brass candlesticks were placed at the four corners encircled with leaves. A two course luncheon, suggestive of the approaching holidays was served, the dessert course was most attractive in dainty scarlet cases topped with a tiny red bow. The club prize was won by Mrs. E. H. Buezy and the guest prize fell to Mrs. W. T. Davidson, both being exquisite hand-embroidered centerpieces. Those present were: Club members—Mesdames E. H. Buezy, S. M. Barlow, H. Cluck, J. B. DaCamara, J. Vidales, H. Johnston, J. C. Martin, R. Muller, C. C. Shiner; Guests—Mesdames Davidson, Sirmeyer, Meyer, Kenney, Cogley, Halsell, Weber, Fish, and Miss Lillian Westbrook.

Some of the noted speakers to be heard during the four days' sessions will be William J. Bryan, Gifford Pinchot, Dr. Robert E. Speer, Professor Shailer Mathews, Dr. Sidney L. Gulick, Hamilton Holt, Bishop Samuel Fallows of the Reformed Episcopal Church, Bishop Edwin H. Hughes of the M. E. Church, and Bishop E. R. Hendrix of the M. E. Church, South.

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PERSONALS

C. H. Melton, traveling agent of the Wells-Fargo Co., is a visitor in the city.

Chas. Eikel of the Morgan Steamship Lines with headquarters at San Antonio, is in the city.

BENDER.—P. H. Foster, Leslie Payne, San Antonio; W. P. Lightfoot, Kansas City, Mo.; Clarence Kradall, Houston; Frank G. Abbott, G. J. Watson, L. Boswell, San Antonio; S. M. English, A. W. Peniger, Austin; E. D. Cococher, Dallas; E. L. Syers, H. L. Miller, San Antonio; S. O'Connor, Fort Worth.

SPORTING NOTES.

Rumor has it that George Gibson, former catcher for the Pittsburgh Pirates, is being negotiated with to manage the Toronto International league team next year.

Charley Ebbs has passed up Newark and in future will use the Oakland Pacific Coast league clubs as a farm for the Brooklyn players.

Johnny Wolgast, brother of Ad. has severed his business relations with Jimmy Dunn and is now under the management of Joe Gazerowitz, an Oshkosh fight promoter.

The new boxing club at the University of Pennsylvania has made an auspicious start on its career, having enrolled more than sixty students in its membership.

Lee Tannehill, who used to star with the White Sox, has been signed to manage the Jacksonville South Atlantic league team next season.

Leslie Nunemaker is in Boston waiting for the hockey season to open. The Yankees' star backstop is a keen follower of the ice sport.

GERMANY JUSTIFIED BELGIAN TRAITOR ELECTION FRAUD

BALLOTS WHICH WERE TO BE DESTROYED ARE HELD ON CHARGES BY REPUBLICANS.

By Associated Press.
Columbus, Ohio, Dec. 6.—Secretary of State Hildebrandt has ordered a statewide investigation of charges of fraud and error in the recent Ohio election. The complaint was filed by the Republican state committee. All ballots, which were to have been destroyed tomorrow, were ordered preserved.

OPPOSE PHYSICAL EXAMINATION

By Associated Press.
Washington, Dec. 6.—Compulsory physical examination of wage earners is opposed by President John White of the Miners Union in an address before the conference on social insurance.

ALL OFFICERS ARE WOMEN.

By Associated Press.
Umatilla, Ore., Dec. 6.—Mrs. E. E. Starcher was elected mayor of this city, defeating her husband for reelection, and women were also elected to all other municipal offices.

NEW BUILDING AT ILLINOIS

Urbana, Ill., Dec. 6.—Many prominent visitors came to Urbana today for the dedication of the new quarter-million-dollar Ceramic Engineering Building of the University of Illinois the ceremonies in connection with which are to continue two days. The completion of this building is regarded as an important forward step in the plan to make the technical school of the university one of the most important institutions of its kind in the middle West. The building contains laboratories equipped with the latest types of apparatus needed for instruction and research in the manufacture of stoneware, china, brick, tile, sewer pipe, terra cotta, cements, glassware, sanitary ware, electrical and thermal insulating materials and other ceramic products.

MANY CHURCHES IN COUNCIL.

St. Louis, Mo., Dec. 6.—Four hundred and fifty delegates, representing thirty of the leading Protestant denominations with an aggregate membership of eighteen million, assembled in this city today for the third quadrennial meeting of the Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America.

The purpose of the gathering is to consider matters in which the Protestant denominations have a common interest, such as Christian education, evangelism, temperance, home and foreign missions, family life, Sunday observance, country life, church and social service, federation of churches, and peace.

Some of the noted speakers to be heard during the four days' sessions will be William J. Bryan, Gifford Pinchot, Dr. Robert E. Speer, Professor Shailer Mathews, Dr. Sidney L. Gulick, Hamilton Holt, Bishop Samuel Fallows of the Reformed Episcopal Church, Bishop Edwin H. Hughes of the M. E. Church, and Bishop E. R. Hendrix of the M. E. Church, South.

MONTANA HOLDS CORN SHOW.

Miles City, Mont., Dec. 6.—That Montana is entitled to high rank among the corn-growing States is evidenced by the display of exhibits at the first Montana Corn Show, which opened here today and will continue through the remainder of the week. Nearly every section of the State is represented in the exhibition, which includes a variety of Montana farm products in addition to fine specimens of corn. From Miles City the corn display will be taken to St. Paul for exhibition at the Second National Corn Show which is to open in that city next week.

KANSAS MPSIC TEACHERS.

Salina, Kan., Dec. 6.—Salina is entertaining for three days the annual convention of the Kansas State Music Teachers' association. A large attendance and an attractive program combine to give promise of one of the most profitable conventions in the history of the association. A leading feature will be a series of concerts and recitals in which Kansas composers will interpret their own works.

BAY STATE CITY ELECTIONS

Boston, Mass., Dec. 5.—Seventeen cities in Massachusetts hold their annual elections today for the choice of municipal officials for the coming year. In all of the seventeen cities the license question is being fought out after the most active canvass on the part of the prohibitionists in the history of the State. Open-air meetings in factory districts, mass meetings in public halls and churches, and other means have been used to arouse the voters. As a result of the unusually active campaign the "drys" predict that more than half of the cities voting will go for no-license.

SHIPBUILDERS NOW MAKE OFFER TO NAVY

EASTERN FIRMS ONLY ASK TEN PER CENT OVER THE COST OF BUILDING NEW VESSELS.

By Associated Press.
Washington, Dec. 6.—The Newport News Shipbuilding and Dry Dock Co. and the Cramps, in proposals to the navy, offered to build four battle cruisers at cost plus 10 per cent. The Union Iron Works of San Francisco and the Fore River Shipbuilding Co. proposed cost plus 15 per cent. There were no flat bids.

REMEMBERS WOMEN EMPLOYEES.

By Associated Press.
Fort Worth, Dec. 6.—The will of Paul Waples leaves \$1,000 to each woman employed in his plant for three years before his death by an inter-urban car November 16. His estate is valued at half a million dollars.

REPUBLICANS TO AID.

By Associated Press.
Washington, Dec. 6.—Republican senators promise that they will aid in passing the corrupt practices bill to prevent future lavish expenditures in national elections. They induced Senator Owen to withhold his proposed resolution for an inquiry into the expenditures of the last election.

WOMAN IS GUILTY IN SECOND DEGREE

WOMAN REPORTER FACES LONG TERM FOR KILLING POLITICIAN WHO SLANDERED HER.

By Associated Press.
Thompson Falls, Mont., Dec. 6.—Miss Edith Colby, a newspaper reporter, was found guilty of second degree murder for the shooting and killing of A. C. Thomas, a politician. The penalty is from 10 to 12 years in the penitentiary.

BILL TO BE A BANKER.

Lewiston, Me., Dec. 6.—Another chapter in the stirring story, "From Baseball to Banker," will be written here tomorrow, when a hearing will be held on a petition for the right to organize two new trust companies, in the promotion of which the leading spirit is Martin F. Carrigan, manager of the Boston National league baseball club. The new banks will be known as the Twin City Trust Company, of Lewiston, and the Androscoggin Trust Company, of Auburn. When they complete their organization and open their doors for business, some time soon after the first of the year, the man who piloted the Boston baseball club to a pair of world titles will make his debut as a full-fledged banker.

TO CONFER ON MOTORBOAT RESERVE.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 6.—A conference will be held here tomorrow, presided over by Assistant Secretary of the Navy Franklin D. Roosevelt, which will be of interest to every civilian in the country who has become enthusiastic over a naval district scouting patrol of motorboats. Civilians have been invited to attend the conference and give their views of just what they think in regard to organizing a patrol squadron under the new act of Congress creating a Naval Coast Defense Reserve.

The plans for a scout patrol as laid down by the naval board have met with considerable objection on the part of civilians interested in the matter. One of the principal objections is to the rule that would compel a man enlisted in the reserve to be ordered anywhere in a patrol boat from Maine to Florida, or even to foreign service, such as Mexican waters if occasion required. It is the general opinion that the proposed "mosquito fleet" should be made strictly a "home guard," divided into districts such as is now in force in English waters.

Another change suggested by civilians is that men with boats not exactly scout patrol boats, should be given a chance for a year in an unorganized division before enlisting for four years, in order to find out just what the conditions would be if they actually enlisted. If these men should then care to join the reserve, this year's service would count on their enlistment.

ANOTHER STEP TOWARD PREPAREDNESS.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 6.—The greatest building program in the modern history of the United States Navy will have been placed under contract when the Navy Department acts on the bids opened today for the four giant battle cruisers authorized by Congress. Contracts already have been awarded for the construction of the four battleships, the scout cruisers and other ships included in the program. The four battle cruisers which complete the program will be among the fastest and most formidable ships in this or any other navy. The specifications call for 850-foot ships with a maximum speed of thirty-five knots under three-quarters of the full load conditions. Each vessel will mount ten 14-inch guns in her main battery and with provision for ten reserve guns.

How to Check That Cold.

When it is painful to breathe and fever sends chills up and down your back, you are in for a cold. A timely dose of Dr. Bell's Pine Tar Honey will stop the sneezes and sniffles. The pine balsam loosens the phlegm and clears the bronchial tubes, the honey soothes and relieves the sore throat. The antiseptic qualities kill the germ and the congested condition is relieved. Croup, whooping cough and chronic bronchial affections quickly relieved. At all Drugists, 25 cents.

LYDD GEORGE WAS CALLED BY THE KING

BONAR LAW DECLINED INVITATION TO FORM NEW MINISTRY TO SUCCEED ASQUITH.

By Associated Press.
London, Dec. 6.—The king has sent for Lloyd George. Whether George, whose action led to the disruption of the coalition government and the resignation of Premier Asquith, would have any greater success in forming a ministry than Bonar Law is a question unanswered. Political correspondents predict that Asquith will be back in the government in a few days.

Bonar Law Declined.

London, Dec. 6.—The Westminster Gazette says that Andrew Bonar Law has declined the king's invitation to form a cabinet and that presumably David Lloyd George will be called on. The Exchange Telegraph Company says it has authority for the statement that Law has declined to form the new government.

Russian Assault Failed.

Berlin, Dec. 6.—The Russians failed in their new assault yesterday in the Carpathian forest north of Tarta Pass and on the Ludova, the war office says. In the Trotus valley the Russians reached the German second position. North of Olutz Pass a Russian point of support was captured. Von Mackensen's forces advanced, causing the Rumanians to evacuate a position north of Sinaia. South of Bucharest the Teutons occupied another town along the River Arta and are advancing toward the Rumanian capital. More than 6,000 Rumanians were captured yesterday.

Rumanians Still Retiring.

Petrograd, Dec. 6.—Further retirement of the Rumanians in Tetegovista Ploschit, north of Bucharest, and along the railway from Titu to Bucharest is officially reported. Elsewhere the Teutons were beaten back.

Franco-Serbian Progress.

Paris, Dec. 6.—The Franco-Serbian forces progressed further on the Macedonian front. One hundred and twenty-five prisoners were taken yesterday. Violent artillery engagements are progressing north of Monastir.

American Steamer Shelled.

New York, Dec. 6.—The steamship John Lambert, listed as American, was shelled and sunk without warning by a German submarine off the Isle of Wight November 22, according to American witnesses of the crew which saved today from Bordeaux.

Only Intermittent Firing.

London, Dec. 6.—On the Franco-Belgian front nothing occurred but intermittent firing in the Ancre area, it is officially stated.

Repulsed Allied Attacks.

Sofia, Dec. 6.—A repulse of the allied attacks in the Moglena valley east of the Cerna is officially reported.

Want Government indemnity.

Copenhagen, Dec. 6.—Danish West Indies delegates, conferring with the preliminary committee, ask for government indemnity for sufferers from the recent hurricane in the event the sale to the United States is completed.

Spanish Steamer Torpedoed.

London, Dec. 6.—The Spanish steamer Urbitarte is reported torpedoed. The crew was landed.

Spaniards Were Drowned.

Madrid, Dec. 6.—One hundred members of the crew of the Spanish steamer Pio, from New Orleans to Barcelona, were drowned when the vessel sank in a storm 200 miles off the Canary Islands.

ANOTHER STEP TOWARD PREPAREDNESS.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 6.—The greatest building program in the modern history of the United States Navy will have been placed under contract when the Navy Department acts on the bids opened today for the four giant battle cruisers authorized by Congress. Contracts already have been awarded for the construction of the four battleships, the scout cruisers and other ships included in the program. The four battle cruisers which complete the program will be among the fastest and most formidable ships in this or any other navy. The specifications call for 850-foot ships with a maximum speed of thirty-five knots under three-quarters of the full load conditions. Each vessel will mount ten 14-inch guns in her main battery and with provision for ten reserve guns.

How to Check That Cold.

When it is painful to breathe and fever sends chills up and down your back, you are in for a cold. A timely dose of Dr. Bell's Pine Tar Honey will stop the sneezes and sniffles. The pine balsam loosens the phlegm and clears the bronchial tubes, the honey soothes and relieves the sore throat. The antiseptic qualities kill the germ and the congested condition is relieved. Croup, whooping cough and chronic bronchial affections quickly relieved. At all Drugists, 25 cents.

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WILSON IS INSISTENT.

The importance of the railroad question at present is reflected in the address of President Wilson to congress at the beginning of the short session. He says:

"In the first place, it seems to me imperative that the earliest possible consideration and action should be accorded the remaining measures of the programme of settlement and regulation which I had occasion to recommend to you at the close of your last session in view of the public dangers disclosed by the unaccommodated difficulties which then existed, and which still unhappily continue to exist, between the railroads of the country and their locomotive engineers, conductors and firemen."

It is evident from this that the president does not by any means share the belief of some that the whole matter was settled by the passage of the Adamson act. He earnestly renewed the recommendation he made last summer that the Chief Executive be empowered, "in case of military necessity, to take control of such portions and such rolling stock of the railroads of the country as may be required for military use and to operate them for military purposes, with authority to draft into the military service of the United States such train crews and administrative officials as the circumstances may require for their safe and efficient use."

He adds the following significant statement:

"The country cannot and should not consent to remain any longer exposed to profound industrial disturbances for lack of additional means of arbitration and conciliation which the congress can easily and promptly supply." This indicates that he is determined to force through the measure which has aroused the antagonism of the labor unions—the making it illegal to call a strike or force a lockout before a full and thorough investigation has been made of the causes leading up to such action.

He says his action "is based upon the principle that the concerted action of powerful bodies of men shall not be permitted to stop the industrial processes of the nation, at least before the nation shall have had an opportunity to acquaint itself with the merits of the case as between employee and employer, time to form its opinion upon an impartial statement of the merits, and opportunity to consider all available means of conciliation or arbitration. I cannot see anything in that proposition but the justifiable safeguarding by society of the necessary processes of its very life."

It may safely be stated that the upholding of such a proposition would destroy the usefulness of the strike as a club with which to force employers to accede to the demands of the employees. But there is nothing unfair in the proposition, as it also destroys the power of the employers to use the lockout as a club over the employees.

If it is done, as the president alleges it can and should be done "with a full and scrupulous regard for the interests and liberties of all concerned as well as for the permanent interests of society itself," it is a good thing. For, aside from the interests of the employers and the employees, society has rights that neither of the parties to a controversy has a right to ignore.

It may be justifiable for the employees to threaten that on a certain date they will stop work unless their demands are granted; it may be right and proper for the employers to threaten that unless certain conditions are complied with on a certain date they will shut the employees out from their employment. But if either side carries its threats into action, the public—which is infinitely greater and of superlatively higher importance than either—will suffer. It is to prevent the possibility of such suffering on the part of those who have no interest in the controversy that the president wants congress to pass a law preventing such action without good and proper reasons—reasons that will appeal to an impartial outsider.

Congress probably will take action soon in this matter, and it will not be a poorly-digested action predicated upon the necessity of doing something in a hurry to prevent a precipitate strike by the unions.

COMMERCE DESTROYING.

The present European war has developed a method of fighting that is nearest to the "dog-in-the-manger" idea of anything that has yet come out of war. Failing to do any appreciable damage to the enemy's war vessels the Germans are destroying all the commerce carriers they can, and it has reached the point where not only are enemy merchant vessels attacked, but those of neutral countries seem to be as good a target for

the sneaking submarine as any other.

The development of the submarine promised a revolution in sea tactics. It was believed that a few submarines could go out and successfully meet a fleet of battle cruisers and armored vessels. But so far the submarines have found their only activity worth mentioning in torpedoing—or shelling—defenseless merchant vessels, even the fishing boats serving as marks when no other was in sight.

It is now openly charged that Germany is deliberately attempting to destroy the merchant vessels of nations who in former times were successful competitors in trade with the German shippers. Among the vessels which have been sent to the bottom without mercy are many of the Norwegian register, and yet in but few cases have the Norwegian ships carried any contraband. Indeed, it was charged by the allies that much of the foodstuffs purchased in this country and shipped to Norway was for the use of the Teutons.

But Norway is a keen competitor of Germany in sea trade. There are many hundreds of vessels sailing from Norwegian ports, especially since the beginning of the present war, which carry cargoes that in ordinary times might go to German shippers were it not for the shrewd commercial spirit developed in Norway.

Norway has vast forests of timber suitable for shipbuilding, and since the days of the Viking raids on the European mainland the Norsemen have been among the best of sailors. Few British ships sail without some of the Norwegians "before the mast," and no other nation of Europe has produced so many skilled seamen.

The present war was forced upon the allies by the desire of Germany to expand her foreign trade. Not content with what she had, and desirous of securing more, by fair means or foul, Germany deliberately drove Austria into the world war, with the hope of gaining all the advantage to be found in "strafing" England.

Norway is too weak to successfully combat Germany without the powerful aid of some of the other countries. But it seems hard that Norway's commerce is to be destroyed while she is still neutral merely that Germany may reap a commercial harvest after the war is over.

There are other nations whose vessels have been sunk, it would seem, solely for practice for the submarine crews. When the final accounting is made, Germany will face such a total of indemnities to be paid as to stagger the world.

For grasping avarice the world has never seen the like of modern Germany. Oman forgive the arrogant pretense of being superior to the rest of mankind. This is not confined to Germany. The Zulus also believe themselves superior to all others, and for downright pride of race there is no one, not even a bespectacled German, who can compete with the breech-clouted Apache.

But the desire for other people's goods, the determination to use every effort to secure—not a share, but the whole—of the world's traffic is one that cannot be too strongly reprobated. We are accused of carelessness in trade, but we have at least been moderate in exacting no more than our proper share.

Our own commerce carriers have been sunk without the slightest show of justice. Other nations are being deliberately ruined so far as sea trade is concerned, and all that Germany may have no competition for the ships she has kept out of harm's way while the war was going on, and which she expects to carry the bulk of the world's trade as soon as peace is declared.

The Ohio ballots, which were to have been destroyed today have been ordered preserved, in order to permit investigation of a Republican charge of fraud and error. Let's see, isn't Ohio the state where a number of negroes were arrested in a charge of illegal voting, and where bail was awaiting them when they reached the boat room?

There are few more graceful acts than that of the late Paul Waples, who left in his will a legacy of \$1,000 to each of the women who had worked in his plant for three years prior to his death. That he was a bachelor does not matter; he still knew how to be just and generous to women.

The Republican senators are willing to aid in the passage of the corrupt practices act, but they don't want any investigation of the election just over. We thought it was queer that such big Republican majorities were rolled up in some places.

That is a good offer from certain shipbuilding companies to build the new ships for our navy at cost plus 10 per cent. They got more than that when they made flat bids, but they are beginning to feel patriotic—or else they fear investigation.

FOUR NATIONAL GUARDSMEN
BEING TRIED FOR BURGLARY

—The Laredo Volunteer Fire Department meets tonight at 8 o'clock at Firemen's Hall. It is urgent that every member of the organization who can possibly do so attend this meeting, as the election of officers to serve for the ensuing year, appointment of celebration and fire queen committees and other business will come up for consideration.

—Beautiful hand made articles, linens and lingerie at the Christian ladies sale Saturday, nine o'clock.

—Only sixteen days more until Christmas will be here. Do your shopping early and do not wait until the last moment to go into the stores, rush the busy clerks and take what the early purchasers have left for you. Remember "the early bird catches the worm," and the early shopper gets the best of the assortment of Christmas goods.

—Violets for sale. Telephone 849.

—According to the market reports, there is one crop that could be planted with assurances of big profits in the Laredo section, as there will be great demand for it at advanced prices, and that is beans. This staple vegetable grows well here, as it is perfectly adapted to the country, and any variety that is planted will net good returns to the grower.

—Taxidermy in all its branches. Animals mounted true to life. Skins tanned and made into rugs. W. R. Muter, phone 774.

—The excursion train from Corpus Christi, which is scheduled to reach here at about 6:30 Saturday morning will bring about 500 Texas national guardsmen, including practically the entire membership of the Laredo company of the Second Texas Infantry. The excursionists will remain in Laredo until 11 o'clock Saturday night, when they leave on their return trip.

—Try a parcels post package at the Bazaar, Saturday 25 cts each.

—Many people from places along the I. & G. N. road as far as Cotulla, Pearsall, Dilley and Webb are expected here early Saturday morning to witness the football game at Caliche Park on Saturday afternoon between the Second Texas Infantry team and the Missouri National Guard team.

—I have three wagons for hauling sand, gravel, etc. Prices moderate. Telephone 272. Jose Maria Mendiola, 1205 Iturbide street.

—The Second Florida Infantry team has challenged and received an acceptance from the Second Texas football team, the game to be played at Corpus Christi at a date to be arranged later, probably early in the month of January.

—Doctors Wilson and Stafford, DENTISTS. Office over People's Pharmacy. Phone 746.

—The Laredo Electric & Railway Co. have placed an order for six and one-half tons of new copper wire to be used in improvement of the electric light service in Laredo and the military camps.

—Japanese pictures, calendars, games and silk novelties on sale Saturday opposite the Royal.

—The Harrison Tent Theater will begin its engagement in Laredo tonight in its large and up-to-now-equipped tent on the block just southeast of the Texas-Mexican station. Their opening play will be the great society drama entitled, "The Awakening of John Slater."

—Teacher of English, Spanish and Gregg Shorthand, evening lessons only. Apply Will W. Gregg, Times of Ice

—Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Potts have moved their residence from Houston street to 920 Victoria street.

—Run for rag-rugs Saturday at bazaar opposite Royal.

—The following marriage licenses have been issued by the county clerk since last report: William Frederick Gaud and Miss Lucia Emma Barbera, Willie L. Bryan and Miss A. Blanca Villaseñor.

—W. H. W. Gregg, Notary Public, at Times office

—The importations through this port today from Mexico consisted of two carloads of pecans, two carloads of cotton seed cake, three carloads of lard, one carload of garlic and seven carloads of calamine.

—Do you desire comfort? Use electric lights and fans.

—A meeting which was scheduled to be held in Firemen's Hall on Friday night, will not be held until Saturday night, as the special excursion train will not reach here from Corpus Christi until Saturday morning at 6 a. m., the time having been changed at the Corpus end.

—Home made candy at Christian ladies bazaar Saturday.

—Mr. Skinner, who is employed in the Leyendecker Transfer Co., was at-

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CHRISTMAS BOX TO MILITIAMEN

Contribution Will be Received at Chamber of Commerce for Texas Militiamen.

The Laredo Chamber of Commerce has started a movement to make up a Christmas box for the Laredo boys in Company I, Second Texas regiment, stationed at Camp Scurry, Corpus Christi. A number of the boys will be home for Christmas and it is not yet known how many will remain in Corpus Christi.

A large portion of the company will visit Laredo next Saturday for the football game and we can ascertain at that time how many of the boys will remain in Corpus Christi for Christmas. As soon as this information is obtained a notice will be given in the newspaper and our people can be governed accordingly in making up their contributions to the Christmas box. Presents that are sent may consist of anything for the table or Christmas use and they may be sent to the members of the company or to any individual member. The box will be sent by the Chamber of Commerce and contributions to the box may be left at any time at the Chamber's headquarters in the Hamilton Hotel building. Perishables should not be left until immediately before Christmas.

Sickly children need WHITE'S CREAM VERMIFUGE. It not only destroys worms, if there be any, but it acts as a strengthening tonic in the stomach and bowels. Price 25c per bottle. Sold by all druggists.

tacked by an intoxicated soldier late last night and slashed several times across the face and hands. When officers reached the scene of disturbance the soldier had sobered up enough to make his getaway. Several disturbances ensued last night as a consequence of yesterday being payday with some of the soldiery.

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MISSOURI TEAM STRONGER
THAN WHEN IT MET TEXAS

ONLY THREE CHANGES HAVE BEEN MADE IN LINEUP.

Five Hundred Enthusiastic Fans Will Accompany Texas Team to Laredo. Confident of Victory.

Although there have been but three minor changes made in the lineup of the Missouri National Guard team which will meet the Second Texas team in the football game at Caliche Park on Saturday afternoon beginning at 3 o'clock there is a marked contrast in the team as a whole which played the fast Texas team at Corpus Christi on November 22.

With only nine days of practice in which to round-in the men, the Missouri team made the Texas boys fight for every inch of territory which they gained, and at several times had the Texas goal in danger. Now that the team is better trained and claim they know the Texas style, Laredo fans will be afforded to see one of the fastest and hardest fought games of football ever played in Southwest Texas.

"Chuck" Wilson, who has been training the Missouri squad, will probably be seen in the line up. As "Chuck" made the all-Missouri Valley team while he was in Missouri University, he should prove of great benefit to the Missouri National Guard team. Riley has been shifted from fullback to tackle, and with "Abe" Burkhardt, should make a pair of tackles that would be hard to beat anywhere.

Speaking of the excursion from Corpus Christi to Laredo and the confidence in the Second Texas team, the Corpus Christi Caller of yesterday contained the following mention:

"With the announcement that a special train will be operated to Laredo over the Texas-Mexican Railroad for the benefit of soldiers and civilians who desire to witness the Second Texas-First Missouri football game to be played in Laredo next Saturday afternoon, local interest has been increased and it is now predicted that 500 or more people will make the trip.

"The special train will leave here Friday evening at eight o'clock, arriving in Laredo early Saturday. The departure from Laredo for the return trip will be made late Saturday night. A fare of two dollars for the round trip will be in effect. Reports from Laredo state that Missouri has strengthened since the game played here November 20 when the Texans defeated the Missourians without any considerable difficulty, and a more interesting encounter is being predicted.

Chas. B. Stewart, manager of the Second Texas team announces the following schedule of games for the boys:

Saturday, December 9—With First Missouri Artillery at Laredo.

Saturday, December 16—With Virginia Artillery at San Antonio.

Saturday, December 20—With First Illinois at Corpus Christi.

January 1—Will play winner of cup of twelfth division, game in all likelihood being played here.

Other games in prospect include the tentative bookings for games with the Second Florida, stationed at Laredo and a team representing the Knights of Columbus of San Antonio. The Florida game will likely be played here and the K. C. game at San Antonio.

Throughout Texas football circles it is generally recognized that the Second Texas team can defeat any team in the state, either of civilian or militia lineup.

How to Prevent Croup.

In a child that is subject to attacks of croup, the first indication of the disease is hoarseness. Give Chamberlain's Cough Remedy as soon as the child becomes hoarse and the attack may be warded off and all danger and anxiety.

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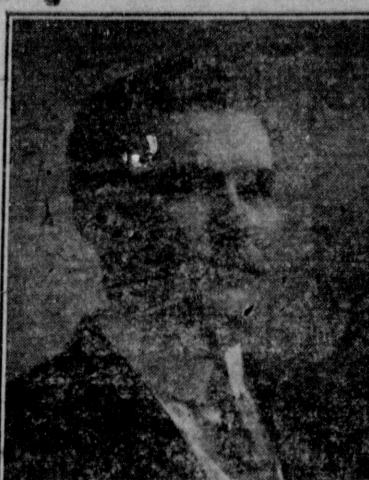
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FLAVIO VARGAS.

Flavio Vargas was born at Roma, Starr County, Texas, April 12, 1876, where he received his early education under special tutors. Removing to Rio Grande City Mr. Vargas commenced the study of pharmacy and at the early age of 12 years was in charge of a drug store. Later, Mr. Vargas removed to San Antonio where he devoted two years to study and practice of his profession, thence coming to Laredo about 20 years ago where he became identified with several drug stores.

Mr. Vargas possesses a thorough knowledge of his profession and is a graduate of the State Board of Pharmacy.

Temporarily leaving Laredo, Mr. Vargas worked in various cities of Texas and Mexico and during his years of experience has gleaned a knowledge of his profession bordering closely on the requirements for graduation as a Doctor of Medicine.

Returning to Laredo, Mr. Vargas entered business for himself some six years ago, under firm name of Herrera & Vargas, but three years later opened up his present up-to-date establishment which is enjoying a large patronage under the name People's Pharmacy.

Mr. Vargas' gentlemanly demeanor toward all has gained him a host of friends and placed him in the rank of Laredo's foremost citizens.

M'COOK GIVEN FOUR YEARS
ON TWO FORGERY CHARGES

MISSOURI SOLDIER CHARGED WITH FIVE FORGERIES.

This Morning Three Minor Cases Were Taken Up; District Court Fast Disposing of Criminal Docket.

Yesterday afternoon in the district court Private Henry R. McCook of a Missouri regiment, who was indicted by the grand jury and five bills of indictment brought in against him charging forgery, was tried on two of the charges. The jury in each case found him guilty as charged and returned verdicts giving him two years in the penitentiary in each case, or a total of four years. The district attorney then dismissed the remaining three cases against McCook.

Another case which was tried yesterday afternoon was that against Genaro Garcia and Ramon Castillo, charging them jointly with burglary. The jury returned a verdict giving the two men a term of two years in the penitentiary, but recommended suspended sentences, which was granted them.

This morning the case of Eusebio Moreno charged by indictment with theft over value of \$50, was taken up and the jury later brought in a verdict assessing his punishment at four months confinement in the county jail.

Sabino Sanchez, charged with unlawfully carrying arms, failed to appear for trial and his bond was declared forfeited.

The case of Arnulfo Rodriguez, charged with theft of hogs, was taken up this morning and the jury returned a verdict assessing his punishment at two years in the state penitentiary, but recommended suspended sentence. Vidal Santos, charged jointly with Rodriguez in the theft of hogs, pleaded not guilty, though his partner pleaded guilty. The jury, however, found Santos guilty and assessed his punishment at two years in the state penitentiary.

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SOCIETY

SOCIAL CALENDAR.

Friday.
Mrs. Erenbaugh of Fort McIntosh will entertain with a tea at four o'clock in the afternoon in honor of Mrs. Freer.
Laredo Choral Club will meet at Elks Hall at half after three o'clock sharp in the afternoon, with Mrs. T. A. Austin.

Saturday.
Laredo Choral Club will meet at the Royal Theatre at ten o'clock in the morning for rehearsal with orchestra.
Childrens Choral Club will meet at Elks Hall at ten o'clock in the morning with Mrs. Loring.
The J. U. G. Club will be entertained by Miss Anita Sharkey at half after four o'clock in the afternoon.
Mrs. David Franklin Anderson and Mrs. J. A. MacDonald will entertain with a musicale at the Hotel Hamilton at eight in the evening, honoring Mrs. Kathleen Blair Clarke.
Dance at Elks Hall at eight o'clock in the evening.

Believe in Love.
Believe in love which naught can tire,
Which bright through every veil appears,
In love! the fuel of the fire,
In love! the ray that lights the spheres.

The faith which never fails or halts,
The peace which lofty virtues bring,
Indulgence for a neighbor's faults,
The sponge which wipes out everything.

From these pure noble thoughts of thine
Let nothing fall nor shrink from sight;
Make of your love a torch to shine—
What burns may also give us light.

—Victor Hugo, translated from the French by Henry Carrington, dean of Boeking.

Mrs. Tom Wilson who has been the house guest of Major and Mrs. Lutz for the past several weeks, left yesterday for Mercedes, Texas, to join her husband, who is with the National Guard.

Lieutenant Frederick Gilbreath is expected to arrive today from Porto Rico.

Mrs. Warren G. Clarke of San Antonio will arrive tomorrow and will be at the Hamilton Hotel.

Mrs. Frank Crockett of Kingsville arrived on Wednesday on a visit to her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Tannenbaum, and will remain until after the Christmas holidays.

Club Notes.
The Presbyterian Ladies Aid Society held a business meeting at the church yesterday afternoon. The business pertaining to the Bazaar was straightened out, and \$77.00 was realized from the sale. The amount made from the cake and pie sale held during the month was added to this, and the sum of \$129.00 was turned over to the church to be used in local work. A portion of this money will be forwarded to the Presbyterian Orphans' Home at Itasca, Texas. Those present at the meeting were: Miss Lee, Mesdames Lattig, Harry Earnest, Wharton, Butler, Clark, Sutton, Pratt and S. B. Hopkins.

The Ladies Aid Society of the Christian Church met with Mrs. R. A. Millar yesterday afternoon. A number of articles were finished, and the final arrangements were made for the holding of the Bazaar on Saturday in the building opposite the Royal Theatre. The fancy articles were all listed for sale, and the various committees were appointed as follows: Candy Committee—Mesdames Yost, Calhoun and Kingman; Rug Committee—Mesdames Hiatt, May and Woodul. Parcel Post—Mesdames Ritter, Potts and Smith. Fancy Work—Mesdames Hall, Hoke, Irvine and MacGough; Japanese Articles—Mesdames Crockett, Anderson and Sorrell. General Committee—Mesdames Hodges, Mackin and Millar. Those present were: Mesdames Hall, Hoke, MacGough, Anderson, Crockett, Hiatt, Calhoun, Kingman, Mackin and the hostess.

Among the attractive specialties to be presented at the concert to be given by the Laredo Choral Club will be a Greek dance by Mrs. J. A. Stevens, and a minuet to be danced by 12 little girls and boys, dressed in

Colonial costumes, to a minuet sung by the Choral Club.

The Laredo Choral Club will entertain on Wednesday, December thirteenth with a delightful program, with a delightful program, with many splendid specialties, so woven in as to make the entertainment most attractive. The club will be assisted by Miss Austin, who will be remembered as one of Laredo's most gifted daughters, and who will give in two scenes one of the plays of the year, "The Things That Count" by Lawrence Eyre.

Ladies Aid of the Baptist Church.
The Ladies Aid of the Baptist Church held a business and social meeting with Mrs. Yearly and Mrs. Bell yesterday afternoon. At the conclusion of the business session, a delightful social hour was enjoyed. The hostess served a delicious social hour was enjoyed. The hostesses served a delicious refreshment course, consisting of cake, coffee and sandwiches. Those present were: Miss Annie Pace, Mesdames J. G. Burr, Abshear, Heaner, Landrum, Mann, Saltee, Salisbury, Smith, Ulmer, Windrow, Ince, Wharton, Woods and the hostesses.

Entertainments.
Colonel and Mrs. Alonzo Gray entertained with a charmingly appointed dinner last evening. American Beauty roses and ferns were used in the table decoration. A seven-course dinner was served, and covers were laid for General and Mrs. Ruckman, Colonel and Mrs. Slocum, Colonel and Mrs. Durfee, Major and Mrs. Lutz, and the host and hostess.

Miss Alice Denike entertained the Girls Thursday Bridge Club and additional guests yesterday afternoon most delightfully. Lovely golden-hued chrysanthemums were used for the artistic decorative note. A daintily appointed two-course luncheon was served upon the arrival of the guests, followed by a series of games of bridge. Mrs. Vidales scored high and won the guest prize, a beautiful crocheted centerpiece; the club prize fell to Mrs. Robt. Muller, who received an embroidered guest towel. The personnel included: Club members—Mrs. Robt. Muller, Misses Theodora Gullette and Louise Muller; Guests—Mesdames Hearne, Vidales, H. W. Johnston, E. H. Bueuz, A. Martin, A. Wormser, Chas. Deutz, Misses Maud McKnight and the hostess.

Auction Club.
A delightful party of the week was that given on Wednesday afternoon when Mrs. Leon Daiches entertained the members of the Auction Bridge Club. The rooms were attractively arranged for five tables of players and a profusion of roses were placed in tall vases and low crystal bowls. The club high score was held by Mrs. W. N. Young, who was given one of the newest of fashion's bags, in black velvet elaborately trimmed in cut steel beads. Mrs. A. U. Loeb won the guest's prize, a dainty silver vanity case. A delicious two-course luncheon was served and the place favors were novel Christmas tree ornaments, the Christmas motif being further carried out in the score cards which were miniature figures of "Santa Claus." Those present were: Club members—Mesdames W. T. Hill, J. S. Penn, E. H. Sauvignat, W. N. Young, M. T. Cogley, J. P. Leyendecker, H. C. Hall, A. Wormser, W. M. Brennan, J. Vidales, R. K. Mims, J. Morton, J. Brewster, E. H. Bueuz; Guests were—Mesdames A. U. Loeb, Joseph, Huberich, Davidson, Halsell and Hurwitz.

Complimenting Mrs. Durfee.
Mrs. Durfee was the honor guest at a charming party given yesterday at Fort McIntosh with Mrs. E. A. Sirmyer as hostess. The rooms were fragrant with La France and American Beauty roses and four tables were daintily laid in exquisite linen for the ice course which was served first. At the conclusion of a number of games those holding the four highest scores were given sets of "table numbers" covered in green satin ribbon with tiny bouquets of pink blossoms attached to each, thus further carrying out the color scheme of the afternoon. Those scoring high were: Mesdames Kinney, Davis, Hunt and Halsell. Those enjoying the delightful hospitality were: Mesdames W. T. Davidson, J. T. Halsell, W. W. MacGregor, Davids, Humphrey, Kinney, Warren, Hunt, Erenbaugh, A. Gray, Phalen, Dunbar, Durfee, Freer, Stone, and Miss Ryan.

Announcements.
The regular hop of the Elks Club which was to have been given tonight has been postponed until tomorrow night, in order that the Missouri and Texas football teams and visiting Elks might be honored.

TO CHRISTMAS SHOPPERS

We now have the latest designs in jewelry, silver novelties, cut-glass and all kinds of sterling silver toilet ware.

It will pay you to visit us and we will be more than pleased to show our elegant line.

We also have a very large stock of Victrolas, prices ranging from \$15.00 to \$250.00.

Come in and let us play some of the latest records for you.

LAREDO MUSIC & JEWELRY CO.

WHY THE CUSTOMS DISTRICT SHOULD REMAIN IN LAREDO

REASONS GIVEN CUSTOMS HOUSE SHOULD REMAIN HERE

Chamber of Commerce Sets Facts Before the Secretary of the Treasury and Ask Due Consideration.

The following is a copy of the resolutions and representations forwarded to the secretary of treasury by the Laredo Chamber of Commerce and is self-explanatory:
Laredo, Texas, Dec. 7, 1916.
To the Honorable William A. McAdoo, Secretary of the Treasury.
Washington, D. C.

Sir:
Through the courtesy of Honorable Morris Sheppard, United States Senator from Texas, we beg to present to you the following statement with reference to the proposed consolidation of customs districts and the change of headquarters from Laredo to San Antonio. Our claims have been previously presented to you, but as we are advised that the matter will be determined this month, we beg your indulgence in again calling your attention to Laredo's claims in this matter.

VOLUME OF BUSINESS.—The port of Laredo does more business in imports and exports than all of the others combined in the two districts proposed to be consolidated.

EXPORTS IN OCT.—In the month of October 1916 the exports from the Laredo district into Mexico were \$1,060,974. Over \$983,000.00 of these exports went through Laredo.

AVERAGE CLEARINGS.—Under normal conditions the customs business through the Laredo port is greater than the combined clearings of Brownsville, Hidalgo, Port Arkansas, Rio Grande City, Eagle Pass, Presidio, Del Rio, Corpus Christi and San Antonio. We contend for that reason that Laredo is the logical headquarters and that inconvenience and delay would be occasioned if the headquarters were removed from here.

HANDLING OF MAILS.—A copy of each entry at Laredo would have to be made daily and sent to the headquarters port at San Antonio and returned. As the entries are so much more numerous in the Laredo district than they are in the Eagle Pass district the rehandling of mails would probably be 50% greater with the headquarters at San Antonio than it would be with Laredo as headquarters.

MAIL OUTLET.—Laredo has the same advantages in a direct mail outlet to Brownsville, Corpus Christi, Rio Grande City, Hidalgo and Port Arkansas over the Texas Mexican Railroad as can be had from San Antonio.

SAN ANTONIO CLEARINGS. SMALL.—San Antonio is an inland port, 154 miles from the border and its volume of clearings would not exceed one tenth of one per centum of the clearings passing through the port of Laredo.

INCONVENIENCE OF INLAND HEADQUARTERS.—The alleged reason that San Antonio would be a central point for all of the ports is weakened by our direct outlet to the Rio Grande Valley and the great resulting inconvenience and delay to Laredo, which as above shown would doubly offset any advantage in mail distribution from San Antonio to Eagle Pass.

WOULD INVOLVE GREATER EXPENSE.—Placing the headquarters at San Antonio would involve the addition expense of one complete office force; whereas the present Laredo office force, slightly increased, could transact the business, saving several thousand dollars annually to the Government.

LAREDO IN CENTER OF PROPOSED DISTRICT.—Laredo is not only the largest port of entry, but it is located in the geographical center of the proposed consolidated district.

The business through the Laredo port averages \$17,000,000.00 per year under normal conditions and in the future it will probably be much larger. We are not opposed to the consolidation of the districts, nor to any plan which will increase the efficiency of

the service and the economy of operation. We are not asking that the interest of the Government be subordinated to that of this locality; but we are urging the above claims in support of our position, which entitle Laredo to be made the headquarters port.

Trusting that the Department will give full consideration to our claims, we are,
Very respectfully yours,

LAREDO CHAMBER OF COMMERCE,
By SAMUEL W. BROWN, President.
J. W. KENNEY, Secretary.

You Should Feel 100% Today.
You cannot meet the day's work cheerfully feeling bilious. Dull headache, coated tongue, bad breath are signs that indicate your liver is overworked or loafing. In either case you need Po-Do-Lax. Nature's liver regulator, derived from the May-apple. By stimulating the flow of bile, Po-Do-Lax makes work easier for your liver, and by its mildly laxative quality removes the impurities that clog the intestines. At all Druggists, 50c.

WEATHER FORECAST.
The following forecast from the United States weather bureau at New Orleans is furnished The Times by the Telephone Co. each day:
Tonight fair, colder; freezing. Saturday fair.

Local Weather Report.
The following are the observations taken at Fort McIntosh for the 24 hours ending at 7 a. m. today:
Max. temp. 80 degs.
Min. temp. 48 degs.
General direction of wind: North. Clear.

DONKEY IS TRENCH TRACTOR



The new war tractor may go up and down hills, climb trees, ford streams and perform other marvelous feats, but the tractor that proves indispensable in the trenches is none other than the donkey. Donkeys are being used in practically all the trenches in the war zone in great numbers. This picture shows one working in a German trench.

Bean Joker.
A Glenwood man loves to joke so well that he seldom spares even his own wife in efforts to indulge his hobby.

The two were visiting a friend not long since and admiring the latter's especially successful garden.
"Those are fine beans for this time of year," the husband observed.
"Yes, they are," the amateur gardener agreed.

"What kind are they?"
The gardener gave the information. "Say, Mary," the man called to his wife, "I want you to remember the name of these beans for me."

"Why don't you remember them yourself?"

"I thought it would be such an easy matter for you to remember the name because all you would have to do is to think of yourself."

"Well, what is the name?"
"Lazy wife."—Youngstown Telegram.

GERMANY JUSTIFIED BELGIAN TRANSFER

SAYS IT IS SOCIAL NECESSITY AND NOT HARDSHIP AND ACCUSES ENGLISH EMBARGO AS CAUSE.

By Associated Press.
Berlin, Dec. 8.—The German government today issued a statement justifying the transfer of Belgian laborers to Germany. It says the measure is a social necessity and not a hardship for the laborers, half a million of whom are idle because the British embargo has destroyed Belgium's overseas trade.

LIQUOR BILL IS UP.

By Associated Press.
Washington, Dec. 8.—On motion of Senator Sheppard of Texas, the senate today began consideration of the bill to prevent the manufacture and sale of liquor in the National capital.

COTTON BROKE \$5 A BALE.

By Associated Press.
New Orleans, La., Dec. 8.—Cotton broke more than \$5 a bale today on liquidation and short selling, one of the widest declines ever recorded.

CHURCH COUNCIL IS IMPROPERLY ACTIVE

AT LEAST SOUTHERN PRESBYTERIANS BELIEVE SO, SAYS REV. W. S. JACOBS OF HOUSTON.

By Associated Press.
St. Louis, Mo., Dec. 8.—It is the business of the church to develop social unrest, Rev. Stelzie, field secretary of the Federal Council of Churches of Christ in America, told a mass-meeting in connection with the council's quadrennial convention today. "Without social unrest there is no real progress," he said.

Rev. W. S. Jacobs of Houston, Texas, presented a threat to the church council that the Southern Presbyterian church might withdraw because of the council's activities in international matters and social reform.

WOMAN'S PEACE PARTY TO MEET

Washington, D. C., Dec. 8.—Many delegates are arriving in Washington to attend the second annual meeting of the National Woman's Peace Party, of which Miss Jane Addams of Chicago is president. The regular sessions of the conference will begin tomorrow and continue over Sunday.

GIVES YACHT TO AID WAR SUFFERERS.

Boston Mass., Dec. 8.—The \$10,000 pearl necklace given by a Back Bay society woman will not be the only valuable donation offered for sale at the great National Allied Bazaar which is to open in Mechanics' Building here tomorrow. Another valuable donation is a famous racing yacht that has won the Corinthian summer race and other events in New England waters. The donor has given the yacht on condition that his name and the name of the yacht are not made public. He also requires that at least \$5,000 be realized by the sale on the craft on a subscription plan. The value of the yacht is more than twice that amount. This sum will be donated entirely to the relief of the distress in the war ravaged countries of Europe.

How to Check That Cold.

When it is painful to breathe and fever sends chills up and down your back, you are in for a cold. A timely dose of Dr. Bell's Pine Tar Honey will stop the sneezes and sniffles. The pine balsam loosens the phlegm and clears the bronchial tubes, the honey soothes and relieves the sore throat. The antiseptic qualities kill the germ and the congested condition is relieved. Croup, whooping cough and chronic bronchial affections quickly relieved. At all Druggists, 25 cents.

TEUTONS MAKE OFFER OF HELP FOR GREECE

SAY THEY WILL OPEN COMMUNICATIONS IF GREECE DECLARES WAR ON ENTENTE ALLIES.

By Associated Press.
London, Dec. 8.—Germany and Austria have offered to aid Greece in opening land communication if she declares war on the Entente allies, a Switzerland despatch says.

Battleship Believed Lost.
Paris, Dec. 8.—It is believed that the battleship Suffren, which sailed November 24 and has not since been heard from, is lost with all on board.

Captured More Rumanians.

London, Dec. 8.—The German war office today reports the capture of 8,000 more Rumanians who are trapped in western Wallachia. The Rumanians seemingly are still on the retreat northeastward, rapidly leaving southeastern Wallachia in Von Mackensen's hands. A stand by the retreating forces is not expected until the Buzen river is reached. Fighting is taking place between Bulgarians and Serbians near Monastir and between French and Germans in the Verdun region.

Was Not a Transport.

Washington, Dec. 8.—The British ship Marina, sunk by a German submarine with the loss of six American lives, was in no sense a transport and was entitled to immunities of peaceful merchantmen, according to official information to the state department. Germany is willing to offer amends.

New Note Possible.

Washington, Dec. 8.—A new note to Germany on the general submarine situation as a result of the latest undersea activities seems possible. It will be expected to clear up the differences of interpretation as to Germany's pledges in the Sussex case.

FIRE SWEEP LOVELAND.

By Associated Press.
Loveland, Texas, Dec. 8.—A \$50,000 fire swept the business section today, but rain saved the Tremont Hotel and the residential section.

WOMEN MEET FOR PEACE.

By Associated Press.
Washington, Dec. 8.—The National Women's Peace Party, with Jane Addams as president, opened its convention today to discuss means of shortening the war.

FARMERS FEAR GRAIN EMBARGO

Chicago, Ill., Dec. 8.—Fearing that the continued rise in the price of bread may eventually result in a grain embargo, a conference of representative grain farmers from all sections of the country met in Chicago today to discuss plans for eliminating the present wasteful marketing methods, which the raisers contend is largely responsible for the existing high prices. The conference, which will continue in session two days, is held under the auspices of the National Council of Farmers' Cooperative Associations.

SUPREME COURT AS MODEL.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 8.—The furtherance of plans for the establishment of an international court of justice for the amicable settlement of disputes between nations in the object of a two-day conference which was opened here today under the auspices of the American Society for Judicial Settlement of International Disputes. Ex-President Taft, Samuel Undermyer of New York, former Attorney General Charles J. Bonaparte, Hannis Taylor, former minister to Spain, and a number of other men of prominence are scheduled to address the conference.

Red Cross Seals.

The campaign for the sale of the Red Cross Christmas Seals is progressing well. Practically all the business men have been given the opportunity to purchase seals, and 20,000 have been distributed for sale. Twenty-five per cent of the proceeds will remain in Laredo for local work. All should purchase at least a dime's worth of these little messengers of cheer.

ARMY FALLS SHORT OF REQUIREMENTS

NEW DEFENSE ACT CALLS FOR MORE OFFICERS AND MEN THAN WE HAVE IN OUR ARMY.

By Associated Press.
Washington, Dec. 8.—The actual strength of the United States regular army on June 30 was 107,641 officers and men, the annual report of Adjutant General McClain shows today. Next day, under the new additional defense act, these figures fell 34,000 short of the authorized strength.

SHACKLETON TO RESCUE.

By Associated Press.
London, Dec. 8.—A despatch from Wellington, New Zealand, says Sir Ernest Shackleton will sail December 16 to rescue members of his Antarctic expedition marooned in Ross Sea.

TEN MILLION BALES.

By Associated Press.
Washington, Dec. 8.—Cotton ginned to December 1 amounted to 10,359,346 running bales, the census bureau announced today.

CASHIER WAS KILLED BY MASKED ROBBER

TURNED OVER MONEY TO BANDIT AND THEN WAS SHOT THREE TIMES IN THE BACK.

By Associated Press.
Point, Texas, Dec. 8.—Poses today are searching Rains county for a masked robber who last night took \$244 from the Point National Bank and killed Cashier Clarence Glass, who is well known throughout East Texas. The robber shot Glass three times in the back after the money had been turned over to him. The cashier was alone in the bank, working over the books.

MADISON SQUARE GARDEN UNDER HAMMER.

New York, Dec. 8.—Madison Square Garden, New York's most famous amusement center, was offered for sale at auction today to satisfy a \$2,300,000 mortgage held by the New York Life Insurance Company. Never since its first opening a quarter of a century ago has the Garden been a success financially. For several years past it has been rumored that the big building would be torn down and the site used for business purposes. Following the present foreclosure proceedings it is expected that a definite announcement soon will be made as to the future of the enterprise.

LUMBERMEN'S SALES CONFERENCE.

Merrill, Wis., Dec. 8.—The lumbermen's salesmanship conference, for which a call was issued several weeks ago by the Northern Hemlock and Hardwood Manufacturers' association, began its sessions here today with an attendance of several hundred lumber manufacturers, wholesalers, retailers, commission men and salesmen. The purpose of the conference is to bring together all of those actively interested in the northern lumber industry to determine how best to handle the selling and manufacturing departments with the one aim of marketing the greatest volume of lumber efficiently and intelligently.

Chamberlain's Tablets.

Chamberlain's Tablets are intended especially for stomach troubles, biliousness and constipation, and have met with much success in the treatment of those diseases. People who have suffered for years with stomach trouble and have been unable to obtain any permanent relief, have been completely cured by the use of these tablets. Chamberlain's Tablets are also of great value for biliousness. Chronic constipation may be permanently cured by taking Chamberlain's Tablets and observing the plain printed directions with each bottle.

THE SUBMARINE PROBLEM.

Despite Germany's claims that the British ship *Marina* which was sunk by a German submarine, entailing the loss of six American citizens, was a transport, it is now officially stated that the ship was in no sense a transport and was entitled to all the immunities of merchant vessels, and Germany offers to "make amends."

It is getting on people's nerves to contemplate such an arrogant disregard of the rights of others and the demonstration of the belief that all Germany needs to do after committing such outrages is to say: "Excuse me." Even the money indemnity which Germany will pay—some day, when the war is over—will not atone for the abuse of our rights, nor will it make amends to the surviving relatives of those who were killed.

It has reached the point where Germany shows her utter disregard for the rights of every one not a German, and if we are not content to become some day the humble subjects of the German emperor it is time for us to make more than a "diplomatic protest."

It is true that the course we have heretofore pursued has kept us out of war, but it is beginning to be doubted by a great many if war would not be preferable to the present situation. As American citizens we have the right to go about our own business without interference by anyone, even by a German submarine commander who seems to arrogate to himself the right to construe international law as he pleases, and who is answerable to no one save his emperor—not even to God.

If Germany has reached the stage where she no longer recognizes the rights of humanity, then she should be classed with the other uncivilized nations and treated as such. Why should we continue to hold diplomatic relations with a country which refuses to recognize our inherent rights? Why should we continue to send notes asking for the correction of these abuses when we know from past experience that Germany will simply continue to lie and to shift from the main question and to confuse the issues as she would in her diplomatic intercourse with the king of the Cannibal Islands?

There is no particular reason why we should continue to submit to such abuses. There is nothing Christian in our supine acceptance of insult; it is not caused by fear of Germany or that she might be able to do to us; it is not even because it would cost us some blood and much treasure were we forced to go to war with her. It is simply the Utopian fallacy that we are obliged to submit to such treatment because civilization demands it of us.

The composition of the wilful murder of American citizens by the payment of blood money is a stain on our flag. It smacks of the "ambulance chasers" who get rich by suing street-railways. It partakes of the nature of the deals made between the natives of Africa where the head relatives accept so many cows in return for the quenching of the blood feud for the killing of a man. The only thing in which we are a little more advanced than the savages is that we demand payment for the lives of women, as the African is barred from collecting blood money for a female.

From the day that the *Lusitania* was sunk by a bloodthirsty barbarian, who was willing to forever damn himself in order to win the coveted Iron Cross, down to the present day we have appeared in a shameful light before the savage races of the world. Few of them would have submitted to what we have submitted. Few of them would have failed to wash out the stain from the blood of those responsible for the outrages. They have shown moderation in our treatment of the question is creditable to us, but it will no longer be creditable should we continue to waver without inflicting the punishment we threatened if the abuses continued. Since the promise of Germany to refrain from sinking vessels without warning there have been many vessels sunk and on several of them Americans have lost their lives. There was only one alternative: Live up to the agreement or suffer the penalty. The other check has been turned so often that it looks like a raw tomato. The law has been complied with; let us now live up to our threats or forever hold our peace.

OWNERSHIP AND REGULATION.

The proposition of Senator Underwood of Alabama to give the interstate commerce commission the power to fix wages and hours of labor of interstate railroad employees would seem to be one of the most ill-advised acts that has ever been proposed.

There is no more reason why the railroads should be "regulated" as to the wages they are to pay or the hours their employees are to work than any other employers of labor. Why not grant the power to regulate the wages paid brickyard laborers whose product is used in interstate commerce? Why not establish by law the wages paid to printers and pressmen who produce the newspapers that are sent from one state to another?

Wages are a matter of local conditions at best, no matter what the employment. Only the federal government can establish a schedule of wages for the same sort of work all over the country, and there is already a complaint of the wages paid rural mail carriers in Minnesota as opposed to those paid in Florida or Texas.

The railroads should not be forced to pay a fixed wage scale in all parts of the country, whether that scale be fixed by the unions or by the interstate commerce commission. It would be unjust to pay a man working in the mountain divisions of the West and Northwest the minimum scale paid to a man in Mississippi or Alabama.

The unions have heretofore been able to secure an agreement for working conditions and wages that has been satisfactory to both employers and employees. The failure to secure the eight hour day is responsible for the present agitation.

The bricklayers, the carpenters, the blacksmiths, the structural iron workers, the printers and others recognize the fact that local conditions should regulate the wages. A carpenter in Chicago is not satisfied with the wages paid carpenters in Mattoon or in Cairo. A printer in New York gets more wages than his fellow workman in Schenectady, or in Corpus Christi.

One thing that governs wages is the cost of living of the workman, and another is the profit the employer secures from that labor. And when an employer finds that he cannot conduct his business in such a manner that he can secure a profit, he is going to drop that business.

There is a certain amount of "regulation" that is considered fair and just to all concerned. But the proposal to regulate the business of a company in a manner that leaves no control of the business in the hands of the owners is bound to result in disaster.

It would appear that we are drifting into government ownership of the railroads. The railroad managers flatly state that if the Adamson law is to be carried into effect they might as well go out of business so far as hope of profits is concerned. And if they are to be further controlled by faddists, they are certain to demand recompense for their property before they are obliged to relinquish all control of it to the government.

The proposition to give the interstate commerce commission wider powers does not contemplate the control of the wages or the hours of labor. It simply means that in future the business of the railroads is to be subject to such supervision that it cannot be claimed by the management that it is losing money nor can it be declared by the workmen that they are not getting sufficient wages for the work they are performing.

One difficulty in the conduct of the railroad business is that at certain seasons of the year there is a demand for more men and more trains, and the companies have attempted to run the same number of trains with the same number of men to handle the increased traffic. This is one of the things that requires deep study to regulate.

There should be a surplus force of men to handle the increased traffic when it comes, but how are the railroads to keep these men satisfied so long as they have only part time and part pay? The eight hour law, carried to its logical conclusion, would prevent the men from working overtime, which would necessitate "subs" for the extra work.

It may mean government ownership. The Tontons offer to aid Greece if she will declare war on the Entente allies. What a chance! As well offer to build a new fur coat if he will tackle the bulldog. Besides, Greece has nothing to gain by aiding the Tontons, even though her very life is dependent upon the success of the allies.

Once more Washington is in the throes of a political campaign. It is now proposed to abolish the manufacture and sale of liquor in the National capital. Where do the senators and representatives propose to get theirs? Does the interstate traffic decision apply to the District of Columbia?

It would look queer to see a negro staggering on the side of a narrow house under the burden of an "original package" addressed to some one who had been obliged to send home for it. Curry would be permitted to frank it, as some of them do their laundry?

GIVEN THREE MONTHS IN JAIL.

Man Who Toted His Artillery About Will Spend Three Months in County Jail and Then Give Bond.

In the district court this morning the case of Simon Lopez, charged with unlawfully carrying arms was tried and the defendant punished by being given a term of three months in the county jail and at the end of the sentence he must furnish a peace bond of \$500.

Juan Ramirez, charged with theft from the person, was tried this morning, found guilty and given three years in the pen.

Mmanuel Gonzales, charged with burglarizing the apartments of David Chaille, was tried before a jury and was acquitted of the charge.

DEATH OF "Aunt Harriet's" Sister.

Mary Smith, a well known colored resident of Laredo, and a sister of "Aunt Harriet" Battle, died at her home on the Heights yesterday morning at 6:30 o'clock and the funeral was held this forenoon at 10 o'clock. Mary Smith was 46 years of age and with her sister dear old "Aunt Harriet" came to Laredo from Corpus Christi 27 years ago and had since resided here, where she endeared herself to those who knew her.

Another sister, Mrs. Dicey Allen, resided in California. Aunt Harriet and Mrs. Allen have the sympathy of many friends in their hours of sorrow.

Attention K. of P's.

Members of Aztec Lodge No. 11, Knights of Pythias are requested to meet at Castle Hall at 2:30 p. m. tomorrow afternoon to attend the funeral of the late wife of Brother R. W. Belden.

W. M. MATSON.

K. of R. and S.

TEXAS FOOTBALL PLAYERS ARRIVED IN LAREDO TODAY

COLD AND DARK PREVENTED OVATION TO EXCURSIONISTS.

The Second Texas Infantry Football Team is in Excellent Condition and Confident of Victory.

The special train over the Texas-Mexican train bearing the Second Texas football team, members of the Second and Third Texas Infantry regiments, the Second Texas Regiment Band and a number of civilians from Corpus Christi, total about 500 persons, rolled into Laredo this morning at 6 o'clock. On account of the darkness that prevailed at the early hour of arrival, and the further fact that it was quite cold, the crowd that had planned to be on hand with bands of music to greet the Texas boys, "was conspicuous by its absence."

The special train bearing the excursionists left Corpus Christi last night shortly after 8 o'clock, and the journey was made by slow degrees in order that all might get a good night's rest before reaching their destination. Upon arrival here the excursionists immediately repaired to some of the hotels, while others went direct to restaurants and got their early morning meal. About 8 o'clock the excursionists were to be seen on the streets in large numbers, the Texans being distinguished by their fluttering ribbons or pennants of gold and white, the Texas colors. This morning after a light meal the Second Texas football team went out to Caliche Park and had their final practice work, after which the boys announced they were in prime condition and ready for the Missouri boys on the gridiron this afternoon.

With the exception of eight members left behind to do camp duty, all the Laredo boys of Company I, Second Texas Infantry, which was formerly the Milmo Bells, came up on the excursion train this morning. Captain Matson and Lieutenant Walter Nye being with the boys. The Laredo boys are all enjoying excellent health and in high spirits and will be heard this afternoon rooting for the Texas team. A number of officers, the football team, the Second Texas Band members and civilians occupied a Pullman on the excursion train, while the others slumbered in regular passenger cars, but when they reached Laredo all seemed to be in a cheerful mood and determined to have a jolly good time.

A more enthusiastic and confident bunch of men that accompanied the Texas team to Laredo never rolled in here, and throughout the morning hours the boys were telling of what the Texans would do to the Missourians. This afternoon the game takes place and the culminating feature will be a grand ball at Elks Hall given complimentary to the visiting Texas national guard officers and men.

FUNERAL NOTICE.

Died:—Mrs. R. W. Belden, aged 49 years, at her home No. 707 Rosario street, at two o'clock this morning. The funeral will occur from Convery's Undertaking parlors at three o'clock tomorrow (Sunday) afternoon.

Friends and acquaintances are invited to attend.

WILL NOT ORGANIZE TONIGHT

Proposed Laredo Rotary Club Will be Perfected Shortly After Christmas Says Advocates Today.

A Rotary Club with a membership of about forty representative men of Laredo was scheduled to be organized at a meeting to be held at Firemen's hall tonight, but a telegram received today from a member of the Corpus Christi Rotary Club says:

"It will be impossible for us to organize the Laredo Rotary Club until we have full authority, for which application has been made. Right after Christmas a party of Rotarians will be in Laredo to organize the Laredo Rotary Club."

Those who were advised of the meeting to take place at Firemen's Hall tonight are accordingly advised that it is postponed.

HOLIDAY FARES VIA I. & G. N. RY.

Excursion tickets to all points in Texas on sale Dec. 15 to 26 inclusive, also Dec. 31 and Jan. 1; limit Jan. 5. To Louisiana tickets will be sold Dec. 26 to 25, inclusive, also Dec. 30 and 31; limit Jan. 7. For rates, schedules, reservations, etc., see Ticket Agent, I. & G. N. Ry.

DEATH OF MRS. R. W. BELDEN

Was a Native of Laredo and Only Left Here a Year Ago, But Returned to Laredo Five Months Ago.

Mrs. R. W. Belden died at her home 707 Rosario Street at 2 o'clock this morning after a lingering illness and the funeral will take place from the Convery Undertaking Parlors tomorrow (Sunday) afternoon at 3 o'clock, with interment in the city cemetery.

Mrs. Belden was formerly Miss Agnes Greig of this city and was married to Mr. Belden in this city in 1915. Mr. Belden at that time being chief clerk at the I. & G. N. offices here. Later Mr. and Mrs. Belden removed to Beaumont to make their home, but returned to Laredo about five months ago, when Mr. Belden took a position with Sames, Moore & Co. There were no children, but the husband and other relatives have the sincere sympathy of many friends in their sad bereavement.

EXAMINE YOUNG BURGLARS AND THREE ARE RESTRAINED

WILL BE GIVEN TERM IN THE TEXAS REFORM SCHOOL.

Three of the Seven Boys Had Served Five Months in Jail and One Had No Connection With Gang.

Yesterday afternoon the district court finished its examinations into the cases of seven youthful Mexican boys who were suspected of and duly charged with the commission of several petty burglaries in this city during the past year. These boys had been apprehended by the police department several months ago, some were released and others were incarcerated in the county jail. While some were in jail, however, others were playing their nefarious trade, and finally the entire membership of the youthful burglar band was rounded up.

Yesterday seven Mexican youths were arraigned in court for an examination conducted by District Attorney Valls. Three of them had been in the county jail for five months and four had just recently been apprehended. The evidence developed the fact that some of the youngsters were destined to be bad characters unless restrained of their liberty at this time and sent to a place where they could be taught the evil of their ways and possibly be converted into future good citizens.

The three who had served five months in jail appeared to be sufficiently reformed to be turned loose, and were consequently discharged, while one who proved that he had no connection with the gang was discharged.

The other three, Judge Mullally decided, were unsafe characters to be given their liberty, but deemed it advisable to sentence them to a term in the state reformatory. It was finally decided to file proceedings against three of the boys and secure admission for them to the State Training School for Incurable Boys, and as soon as the necessary admission papers are received the three youthful burglars will be sent to the reform school, there to undergo a practical regeneration, learn a profession of a valuable kind and later be released as fully reformed young men.

PORTRAYED REAL RANCH LIFE.

The Play, "The Lone Star Ranch," Given Last Night by the Harrisons, Was Good Comedy Drama.

One of the best and most highly appreciated stage performances that was ever given in Laredo was that produced in their big tent last evening by the Harrison Tent Theatre. It was entitled "The Lone Star Ranch" and portrayed conditions that actually exist on the big ranches of Texas, in a most realistic manner showing the whole-souled Texas ranchman and his coterie of fearless and kind-hearted cowboys.

To make the story interesting more than otherwise, there is a part that reverts to the bloody struggle between North and South, the animosity of the Northerners for the Southland, etc. The slave question, misunderstood by a northern capitalist, is truthfully explained by the ranchman and other things are brought out that finally result in the cementing of the bonds of friendship between the factions that are at loggerheads only in a slight controversy on this occasion. The northern girl who, though in love with the Texas ranchman, refuses to sing "Dixie," when requested to do so at intervals of the play, finally understands all and the climax of the play sees the northern girl, with the cowboy band furnishing accompaniment, back in Texas before the home of the Texas ranchman singing the song that is dear to every southern heart. And then, of course, there is a "union" of North and South, for the northern girl becomes the bride of the Texas stockman.

There is a villain and a half-breed, treacherous fellow that figure in the play, but it wouldn't be complete without them. There are also a negro mammy and a good old negro uncle in the play, and the latter, together with Bud Nairn as one of the cowboys, furnished plenty of comedy production of heart laughs.

Mr. Harrison as the ranchman, Bud Nairn as the indolent cowboy, Mrs. Harrison as the northern girl who "wouldn't" sing "Dixie," Mrs. Esby as a coquettish northern miss, Mr. Albeltz as the half breed, Mr. Curran as the old negro, and Guy McDonald, as the cousin of the ranchman and star character of the south, were all star characters played by good performers, while the other roles were taken by performers that were also experts in their line.

This evening the company will present the western comedy-drama entitled, "The Black Hawk Mine."

NOTABLE BIRTHDAYS

TODAY.

DECEMBER 9

Major-General George Barnett, Commander of the United States Marine Corps, is 57 years old today. Major-General Barnett was born in Lancaster, Wis., Dec. 9, 1859, and graduated in 1881 from the U. S. Naval Academy, entering immediately into his career then as cadet midshipman. For a score of years he has now been on duty at sea, or at U. S. naval stations at home or abroad. He was advanced to his present rank by the last naval appropriation bill, which created the grade of brigadier general for commanding officers of the Marine Corps, hitherto ranked as colonels, and made Gen. Barnett, as its commandant, Major-General.

LAREDO'S SUCCESSFUL CITIZENS



MATIAS DE LLANO

Matias de Llano, well known in business circles throughout the United States and Mexico, was born at Monterrey, Nuevo Leon, Mexico, June 9, 1889, where he attended private schools until 1901 when he removed to this city and continued his studies in the public schools here. Later, Mr. de Llano accepted a position with The Daily Times, resigning to accept a position in the year 1905, with J. Armengol.

During his employment with J. Armengol, Mr. de Llano traveled throughout the United States, Canada and Mexico and thoroughly mastered all the intricacies of the Mexican import and export business. Having gained a broad experience in handling all classes of Mexican products, with which he became thoroughly familiar, Mr. de Llano decided to embark in business for himself so recently organized the Mexican Products Company, of which he is the directing head.

Mr. de Llano has always taken an active interest in social and club affairs and counts his friends in unlimited numbers. Possessed of ample capital to handle any business deal and enjoying an enviable reputation for business acumen and staunchness of character, Mr. de Llano is counted as one of Laredo's prominent citizens and success is predicted for his new enterprise, the Mexican Products Company.

LITTLE LOCALS

The gold and white, the colors of the Second Texas football team, was much in evidence about the streets of Laredo today, for not only were the boys from the Texas National Guard camp at Corpus Christi proudly letting all know who they were by wearing their colors, but the young people of Laredo, loyal to the boys of their state, were displaying gold and white.

Fluttering pennants and bows of ribbon of gold and white for the Texas boys and gold and black for Missouri, were much in evidence today. The two football squads had their crowds of supporters and as a consequence the colors of Missouri and Texas were to be seen everywhere today.

—Today dawned cold and overcast were in demand. But the football boys were happy, for the weather was ideal for the game this afternoon and when the frolic started every one of the players found it cool enough to enter into the scrimmage with a vim and determination to win.

—The football game here today will be the last big game for the Missourians, for the Missouri battalion of artillery, of which the big players of the team are members, will leave next week for their home stations to be mustered out of service before Christmas. But they go home with the full realization that they had some real sport while here.

—The Harrison Tent Theater management announced last night that the company would not give a matinee this afternoon, but instead the members would "take in" the football game. Tomorrow afternoon, however, a matinee will be given and the bill be announced at the performance tonight.

—A handsome new car to be seen upon the streets of Laredo in the last few days is a Chandler Clove Leaf Roadster purchased by Miss Luisa Martin from the Guaranteo Auto Co.

—There will be music and cheering in the air at Caliche Park this afternoon. Such a din always accompanies plays made by football teams and the enthusiasm is rampant at all times.

—Mrs. Harrison's singing at the tent theater last night denoted her as a good vocalist, with a sweet voice. She "refused" to sing "Dixie" at first, but instead sang, "Along the Ohio," and at the denouement of the play "did" sing "Dixie" in a voice that was charmingly sweet.

—The Rotary Club will not be organized as planned, as telegraphic advices received today state that certain negotiations have not yet been closed and it will be impossible to organize Laredo Rotarians until after the Christmas holidays.

Stop That Cough.

A hacking cough weakens the whole system, drains your energy and gets worse if neglected; your throat is raw, your chest aches and you feel sore all over. Relieve that cold at once with Dr. King's New Discovery. The soothing pine balsams heal the irritated membranes, and the antiseptic and laxative quantities kill the germs and break up your cold. Don't let a cold linger. Get Dr. King's New Discovery today at your Druggist. 50 cents.

SOCIETY

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SOCIAL CALENDAR.

Saturday.

Laredo Choral Club will meet at the Royal Theatre at ten o'clock in the morning for rehearsal with orchestra.

meet at Elks Hall at ten o'clock in the morning with Childrens Choral Club will meet at Elks Hall at ten o'clock in the morning.

The J. U. G. Club will be entertained by Miss Anita Sharkey at half after four o'clock in the afternoon.

Mrs. David Franklin Anderson and Mrs. J. A. MacDonald will entertain with a Musicales at the Hotel Hamilton at eight in the evening, honoring Mrs. Kathleen Blair Clarke.

Dance at Elks Hall at eight thirty in the evening.

Sunday.

The Junior League will hold their regular weekly meeting at the Methodist Church at five o'clock in the afternoon.

The Christian Endeavor Society of the Christian Church will hold their regular weekly meeting at the Christian church at seven in the evening.

The Epworth League of the Methodist Church will meet at the church at six-thirty in the evening.

The Christian Endeavor Society of the Presbyterian Church will meet at the church at a quarter of seven o'clock in the evening.

The B. Y. P. U. will meet at the Baptist Church at half after six o'clock in the evening.

Monday.

The Tournament Bridge Club will meet with Mrs. J. W. Johnston at half after three o'clock in the afternoon.

There will be a meeting of the Laredo Choral Club at the Royal Theatre at ten o'clock in the morning. All those who are to take part in the Photograph Album will please be at the theatre between twelve and one o'clock in the afternoon.

This May Interest You.

The Times desires all social items of interest and cordially invites its readers to supply such news to the society editor. Send or phone all items about weddings, parties, visitors, dinners, receptions, bazaars, children's parties, etc. If you are leaving town or returning, or have visitors arriving or departing, The Times will be glad to know it. While names will not be used all written communications must be signed. This is imperative to prevent imposition. Address all society communications to the Society Editor of The Times or phone No. 70 between 7 a. m. and 9 a. m. and 2 to 7 p. m.

A Little While.

Things look bad a little while And then the sunny heavens smile, Somewhere down the world a song Rolls in loveliness along. Somewhere over hill and dale, Wafts the fragrance of a life, And the wrong's no longer wrong, And the strife's no longer strife. —Baltimore Sun.

General Mention.

Mr. and Mrs. C. M. de la Garza and baby returned yesterday from a few weeks visit to San Antonio.

Miss Hazel Merriman arrived yesterday, and will spend the week-end with her parents.

Mrs. H. W. Greer returned yesterday from Corpus Christi after attending the U. D. C. Convention.

Captain Everett Reeves of the Missouri National Guard, and family have returned to their old home in Caruthersville, Missouri. Mrs. Reeves and children have been in Laredo for the past several months.

Announcements.

There will be a meeting of the Musical Department of the Woman's Club on Monday afternoon at four o'clock at Mrs. D. F. Anderson's Studio.

The following invitations were received in yesterday's mail: "Mr. and Mrs. Sam W. Brown request the pleasure of your company at the marriage of their daughter, Edna, to Lieutenant Frederick Gilbreath, Fourteenth United States Cavalry, on Thursday evening, the twenty-first of December, 1916, at six-thirty o'clock, Methodist Church, Laredo, Texas. At home after January the fifteenth, San Juan, Porto Rico."

Entertainments.

A pretty event of Thursday evening was the bridge party given by Dr. and Mrs. Dunbar in compliment to Dr. and Mrs. Freer. The home was most attractively arranged for the reception of the guests. The color motif of pink and white was artistically carried out in carnations and ferns, which were placed everywhere about the rooms. After a series of games of bridge were played, the ladies high score prize fell to Mrs. Ferenbaugh, who was given a beautiful cut glass silver-mounted scent bottle. The prize for the men was captured by Dr. Smith, who was presented with a dozen handkerchiefs. The honoree was the recipient

of a pair of handsome sterling silver vases. A delicious two-course luncheon followed the game. Those to enjoy the hospitality of the evening were the honor guests and Colonel and Mrs. Webber, Major and Mrs. Davidson, Major and Mrs. Phelan, Major and Mrs. Hanson, Captain and Mrs. Ferenbaugh, Doctors Smith, Cohen, Hutchinson and Bailey.

Reception and Tea.

One of the most charming of this week's hospitalities was the reception of yesterday afternoon at Fort McIntosh with Mrs. Ferenbaugh as hostess, honoring Mrs. Freer, a bride of the month. The home was attractively decorated in roses, daisies, and ferns. In the reception room, where the hostess and honoree, assisted by Mesdames Ruckman, Gray and Durfee, stood, bowls of American Beauty roses and tall crystal vases of daisies and fern were lavishly used. In the dining-room the table was laid in a handsome Cluny lace cloth, and was centrally adorned with an exquisite crystal basket, topped with a fluffy bow of pink tulle, and filled with pink La France roses, encircled with sprays of lacy asparagus fern. Here Mrs. Phelan poured coffee and Mrs. Davidson served salad. The hospitalities were further dispensed by Misses Olive and Alice Gray, and Marjorie Ruckman. About seventy-five guests called during the afternoon.

Choral Club Concert.

The following is the program of the concert to be given at the Royal Theatre Wednesday evening by the Laredo Choral Club:

(a) "Since You Went Away,"..... Royal Orchestra
(b) "The Woodpecker,"..... Nevil Choral Club.

(c) "The Things That Count,"..... Miss Austin.

(d) "Classic Dancing,"..... Mrs. J. A. Stevens

(e) "Requiem,"..... Homer

(f) "A Man's Song,"..... Billin

(g) "Shades of Night,"..... Friedland

Minnet..... Marza

Anna May Mussett, Lois Derby, Dorothy Derby, Dorothy Marton, Marjorie Fish, Emilie Halsell, Dorothy Wiggins, Carlota Warwick, Gretchen Wood, Merrell Lake, Julia Belle Deutz, Kathleen Wood and

Choral Club.

"Nine Young Maids of Laredo,"..... Roccoek

Misses Ryan, Crutchfield, Rodriguez, Merriam, Werner, Mirs, Guinn, Nye and Seamond.

Musical Readings:

(a) "Experience," (b) "It's Not Your Nationality, It's You," (c) "You'll Get Heaps a' Liekin'."

Miss Austin.

"Mammy's Lullaby,"..... Spross

Choral Club.

"Tulip Time in Holland,"..... Whiting

Misses Werner, Mackin, Yates and Rodriguez; Messrs. Lobdell, Guillelte, Vilain, Lowry, Clark.

Photograph Album..... Miss Austin and Thirty Live

Photos.

"Medley from the South,"..... Pike

Choral Club.

PROSPICE.

Breathless Urchin (to constable)—You're wanted dahn our court—and bring a hambulance.

Policeman—What do you want the ambulance for?</